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Hong Kong, 1st May, 1930.

RECEPTION ON THE ARRIVAL OF H.E. SIR WILLIAM PEEL, K.B.E.

OFFICIAL WELCOME AND PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS.

AT A PUBLIC MEETING held at the City Hall on FRIDAY, the 4th April, it was decided to present H.E. Sir WILLIAM PEEL, K.B.E., with an Address of WELCOME on his arrival in this Colony, which will be during the morning of the 8th May next.

At the same Public Meeting, it was decided that the whole of the Theatre Royal should be thrown open to the public without charge save only that the stage be reserved for the Reception Committee, Members of the Executive and Legislative Councils, Representatives of the Navy, Army and Air Forces and the Heads of Public Departments, the first two rows of the stalls for the Consular Body and their wives and the representatives of the Churches, also the first two rows of the dress circle for ladies.

It is hoped that as many residents of the Colony as possible will attend this Public Meeting at the Theatre Royal, and thus give a practical demonstration of the support of the Colony to its new Governor.

COMPANY MEETINGS

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 7th May, 1930, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1929.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 28th April, to WEDNESDAY, 7th May, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 22nd April, 1930.

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-NINTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on FRIDAY, the 16th May, 1930, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1929.

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"CAUGHT A TARTAR."

The tale of a British Jew who would not leave Shanghai unless the secretary of the Jewish Communal Association gave him \$1,000, and how he molested several members of the Jewish community was unfolded to Mr. C. G. O. Anderson, on April 26, in H.M. Police Court, when Ibrahim Meyer Shukri was charged with committing a nuisance by begging. The defendant was bound over in a personal bond for \$250 to keep the peace until he is sent away.

"And make it quite clear to him that if he is brought before me again I will take this conviction into consideration, and may pass a very heavy sentence on him," Mr. Anderson added to the Hebrew interpreter, to be translated to the defendant.

After evidence of arrest was given by Probationary Sergeant G. Wade, of the Central station, Mr. Solomon Plashas Cohen, of Messrs. Sassoons, recalled how he had made a complaint to the police regarding the defendant. The latter went to his office and wanted money, witness said, and refused to leave after being told not to make a noise.

"He said I will insult you until you give me money," witness went on to say, and described another occasion when the defendant called again at his office, and caused him some trouble again. He complained to the police who took the defendant to the station and warned the defendant not to go to his office again.

Police Called In.—Continuing, witness said that on a Tuesday afternoon he took the defendant to the Jewish Communal Association. The secretary of the Association subsequently telephoned to the police who again took the defendant to the station. The secretary later wrote to the police to charge the man. "I asked the police what I should do if the defendant came again to my office, and they told me to phone them up in such a case."

Mr. E. A. Solomon, a representative of the Jewish Communal Association, told the court that he had received several complaints about the defendant. The latter arrived in Shanghai four months ago and went to the secretary of the Association to solicit for alms and was given \$10. This sum the defendant at first refused, saying that he wanted a bed and a house to live in. The secretary agreed to give the defendant a place to live in if he would leave Shanghai within a certain time, to which the defendant would not agree. The defendant said he would not leave Shanghai until he got \$1,000 from the Association.

The defendant made a second call on the secretary, witness said, and was given an overcoat which he asked for, and another \$10. Several more visits were made to the secretary, in all about 10 times, in each case the defendant got between \$2 and \$5 from the secretary, and creating a disturbance at every call, sometimes drawing a crowd of people around the place.

Willing To Leave Shanghai.—After Shukri had retorted: "I don't want any alms from them," Mr. Anderson said to the interpreter: "Would he like to have the case adjourned until Saturday morning for him to seek legal advice?"

The defendant jumped at the offer, but cautiously inquired whether he would meanwhile be remanded

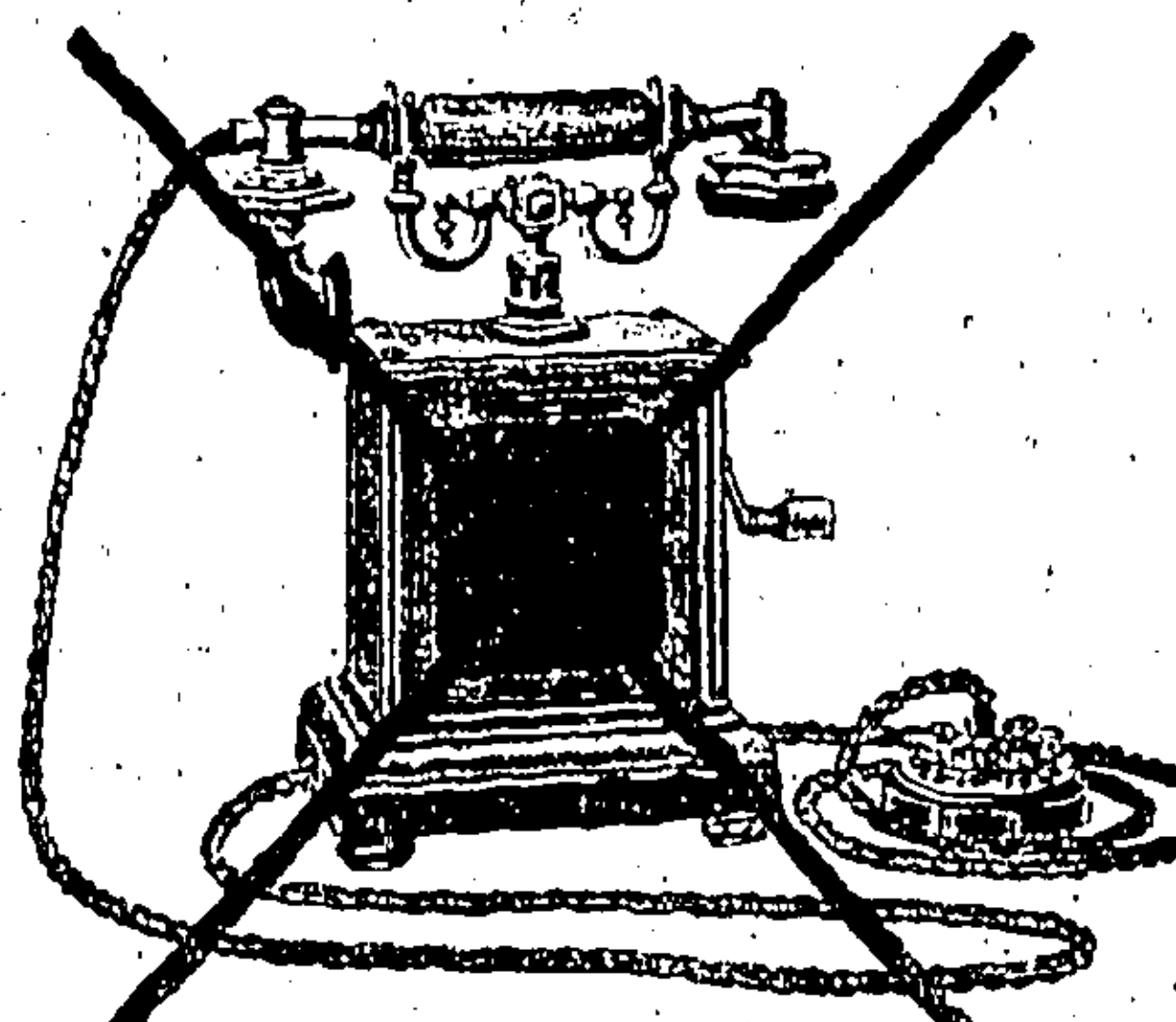
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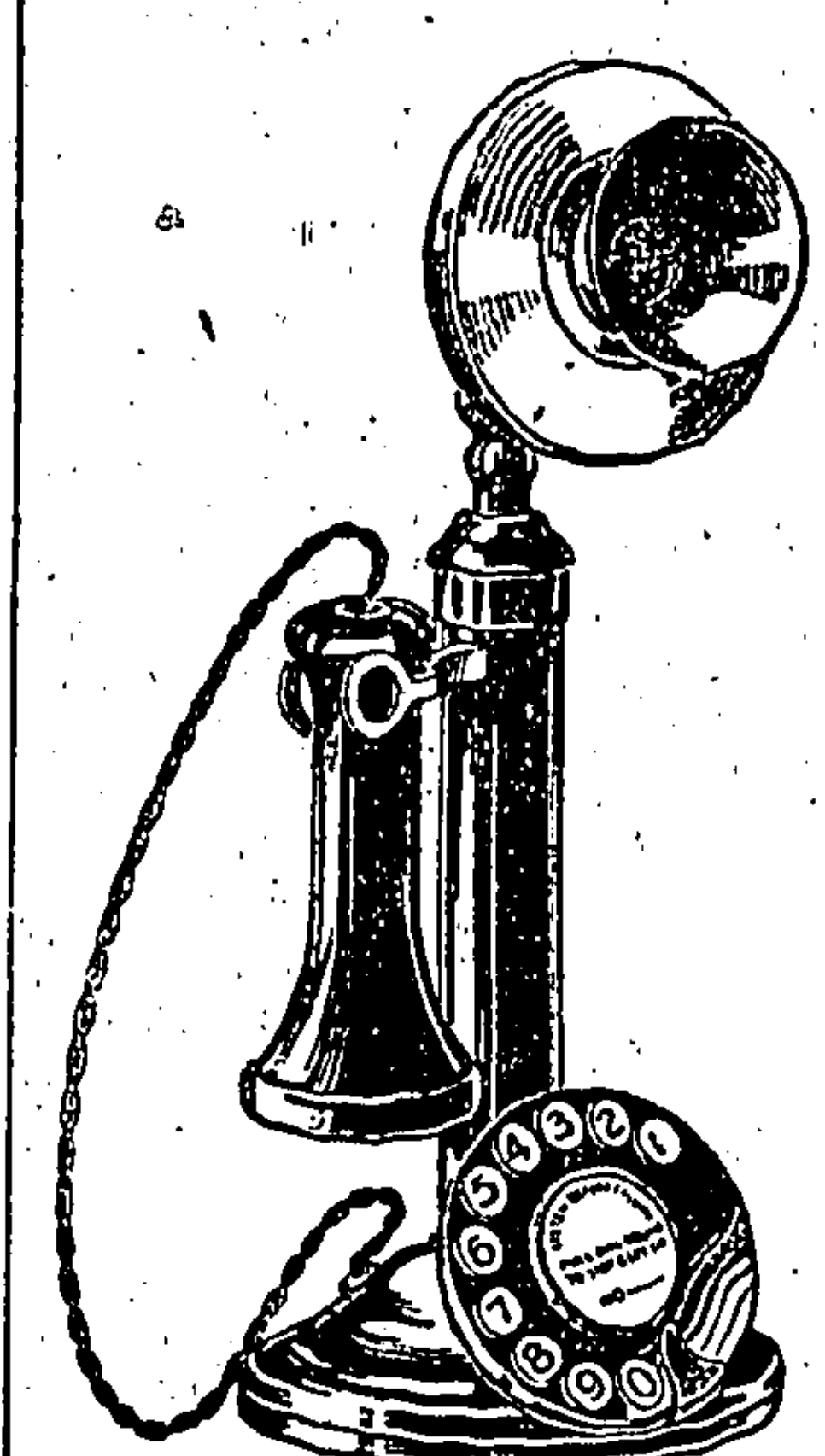
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ed in custody. Mr. Anderson replied that a small hall would be required, the defendant explained that he could not furnish bail, and that it would be futile to adjourn the case if he was to remain in custody, pointing out that he would then not be able to secure the services of counsel.

After Mr. Anderson had remarked that it was a trivial charge, and that he would not like to keep the man in custody, the defendant solved the problem by expressing willingness to leave Shanghai "If the Association wishes it." Shukri suggested that he could be sent away by a vessel sailing on May 7, remarking that it was an economical way of travelling, as the passage to Singapore on the boat would be around \$25.

The defendant at Mr. Anderson's request then gave an undertaking not to be a nuisance to any one again until his departure. — Ex.

The story of a "court-martial" held by a man and his wife, at which they decided to shoot their son, comes from the French village of Puy-en-Velay.

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TRADE IN PACIFIC COUNTRIES.

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JAPANESE SHIPS.

Great Britain's interests in the Pacific were well illustrated at the recent conference of the Institute of Pacific Relations, held at Kyoto, Japan, at which the following national groups were represented:—Great Britain, 15; Canada, 29; Australia, 11; New Zealand, 7 (a total for the British Empire of 62); the United States, 46; Japan, 48; China, 26; the Philippines, 7; and Korea, 5. Although the conference was held in Kyoto, the British Empire had twelve more representatives at the round table meetings than Japan, and 16 more than the United States. The "observers" from Russia, France, Holland, and Mexico had, of course, no actual part in the proceedings.

The preponderance of Great Britain's representations over that of any other flag was due to the large personnel from Canada, which was practically double that of Great Britain. The Canadian interest in every Pacific problem is quite as great as that of the United States, though perhaps not so great as that of the Australian Archipelago. In any case the Canadian people have not only been much impressed by the Kyoto meetings, but are now closely studying Pacific questions, particularly with regard to trade and commerce, being inclined to leave political problems more to the consideration of Britain.

While the Canadian Institute of International Affairs—of which Sir Robert Borden, Canada's war-time Prime Minister, is the president—is the unit in that country of the Institute of Pacific Relations, it is the business men of the Dominion who are taking up Oriental affairs. Through British Columbia's ports—as the gateway to the Pacific—it is believed that in time more trade will flow to and from the Orient than has ever flowed through the ports on the American seaboard to the south.

In Pacific Zone.

Japan is in fact one of the three countries to which Canada has recently sent special Ministers, the others being France and the United States, while Germany, as a fourth, will have a Minister this year. These Ministers collaborate with British Ambassadors at Washington, Paris and Tokyo, and have been appointed to promote the commercial interests of the Dominion. Canada's belief that she will one day play an important part in the Pacific zone seems fairly justified by her increased trade with China, Japan, Australia and New Zealand. Her business with the Orient as a whole grows faster than that of the United States, though the latter had its trade organisations across the Pacific well under way years before Vancouver came into prominence. While Canada was busy developing her Atlantic interests with Europe, the United States got away with whatever was going on the Pacific Coast between Asia and the North American Continent. But both countries realise to-day that trade between nations bounded by the Pacific Ocean is capable of tremendous expansion, and both are therefore paying special attention to it.

The Shipbuilding Industry.

Though Kyoto was a former capital of Japan, and for centuries the centre of Japanese culture, it has become so modernized that the delegates to the Conference found its situation on the River Kamo a good one for the study of various branches of Japanese trade. In this work the Canadian representatives were assisted by their Trade Commissioners in Japan, one of whom reports that the Japanese law for encouraging shipbuilding, put in force in 1896, gave a strong impetus to the development of the industry, but it lapsed in 1920.

Fostered by that legislation, the leading shipbuilding yards have successfully undertaken the construction of "battleships" of some 27,500 tons, and merchant vessels of from 10,000 to 20,000 tons. The war boom so stimulated the shipbuilding industry that to-day it has a capacity of 700,000 tons. For the most part, however, all those yards were overtaken by the post-war reaction, and no small number of the shipbuilders have been obliged to curtail the scope of their work, or to adopt other lines of engineering activities.

In this connection it is of interest that recovery of the industry has been handicapped by three factors: (1) The importation of old vessels by shipowners, which has caused a lowering in the freight rates and depressed the industry of new orders; (2) The high cost of construction, as Japan has to import a large quantity of shipbuilding material; (3) and the difficulty of raising funds for new enterprises, as bankers invested heavily during the boom and subsequently suffered losses. Since then the latter have refused to give financial assistance except at very high rates of interest, in some cases 20 to 30 per cent.

Japanese Shipping in 1930.

But the present activity in the shipbuilding industry of Japan is likely to be followed by depression when the large ships now in course of construction are completed. Since the last half of 1928 shipbuilding had in fact a run of good business in Japan. Leading shipyards were taxed to full capacity for the first time since 1922. The launching in 1929 totalled 180,000 tons for 69 vessels. This, however, is a striking contrast to 1919, when 619,000 tons were launched. The output in 1928 amounted to 53 ships, with a total of 109,664 tons.

The present building activity has been caused by the Government instructing steamship companies, working services under Government bounties, to rebuild their old ships in conformity with the new regulations on the subsidised lines; also, to the fact that the Japanese shipowners apparently, believe that building prices have touched bottom. The utilisation of diesel-engined ships for both passenger and freight services has also become perceptibly active. Out of 32 ships of 150,275 tons on November 1 last year, nine ships of 109,385 tons, or 72.2 per cent. of all, are to be placed on the subsidised routes of the Government. All these ships will be completed before the end of 1930.

It may be that Japanese shipping interests generally have such confidence in the future of the trade on the Pacific that shipping will prosper in that trade as in no other. And while that remains to be seen, there may be some reason to believe that the centre of world interest which shifted from the Mediterranean to the Atlantic after the discovery and settlement of America, is slowly moving towards the Pacific, and that during the present century the greatest development in international trade may be on the Pacific. Canada, as a Pacific power, will take an increasingly important part in the development of that trade, and in the solution of Pacific problems. Canadians are therefore studying Pacific questions and endeavouring to cultivate the best possible relations with their neighbours in that part of the world.—Journal of Commerce.

WARSHIPS IN PORT

British warships in port this morning were:—
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Foreign men-of-war in port were:—U.S. gunboat Helena, French corvette Waldeck-Rousseau, French gunboat Argus, Portuguese Cruiser Adamastor.

NOISE IN SHIPS.

Its Effect Upon Passengers.

(By Prof. A. M. Low, A.C.G.I., M.I.N.E., F.C.S.)

From the acoustical standpoint the average ship might be considered as a hollow latticed girder in which various rooms with thin panel sides are suspended. Noise may be directly air-borne to the cabin walls; it may enter through the usual form of ventilator; or, what is more common, the sides of the cabins themselves may be caused to pulsate by a combination of direct air impact and internal structure vibration.

These disturbances are often similar in characteristics and easily combine, so that the result to the passenger's ear is that an almost continuous oscillation is set up. This movement must be resisted by the body so that during speech the voice is unconsciously raised or altered in type to a point where it will not superimpose or mingle with the extraneous air waves.

A direct examination of sound in a ship usually provides information upon three distinct points. The position and volume of the main sound can be located, the characteristics of wave form can be recorded, and the exact pitch of each note obtained. With this information it remains to deal with every disturbance on the assumption that the expense of producing machinery of noiseless type would be prohibitive, even if it is assumed to be possible.

The engine room must obviously be insulated as far as is practicable in order that air-borne sound may be as changed as to be unlikely to carry or to intermingle with the ordinary efforts of speech. Cabins can be lined, or the interspace can be filled with material which has been shown by test to give an even response over every frequency. It is not sufficient to deal with one source of noise, rather must each point of attack be damped in order that there may be no possibility of interference between the different oscillations which are occurring.

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EMPRESS OF CANADA	July 10	July 13	July 15	July 17	July 25
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	July 20	July 23	July 25	July 27	Aug. 2
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EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Oct. 15	Oct. 18	Oct. 20	Oct. 22	Oct. 30
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Tsai via S'ow & S'hai	CHAKSANG	Wed., 14th May at 10 a.m.
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S'ow, Penang & Calcutta	HOSANG	Thurs., 15th May at 3 p.m.
Singapore & Penang	SUISANG	Mon., 19th May at 3 p.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Shanghai	YUENSANG	Sat., 10th May at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Shanghai	KUMSANG	Sat., 17th May at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Moji & KUTSANG		Thurs., 19th June at 7 a.m.
Sandakan	MAUSANG	Thurs., 15th May at 3 p.m.
Sandakan	HINSANG	Fri., 23rd May at 3 p.m.
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May 2 to 8, 1930.

Date	HIGH WATER		LOWER WATER	
	Standard Times	Ht.	Standard Times	Ht.
May 2	10 19	4.4	4 43	3.2
" 3	10 31	7.5	5 39	0.7
" 4	11 13	4.0	6 5	3.6
" 5	11 31	7.4	7 51	0.9
" 6	12 41	3.8	8 54	3.7
" 7	1 36	7.1	9 18	1.0
" 8	2 04	4.7	10 40	1.0
" 9	2 51	7.4	11 3	4.1
" 10	3 54	4.3	11 3	4.1
" 11	5 14	6.8		
" 12	6 28	4.0	0 0	1.2
" 13	6 28	6.1	0 25	3.5

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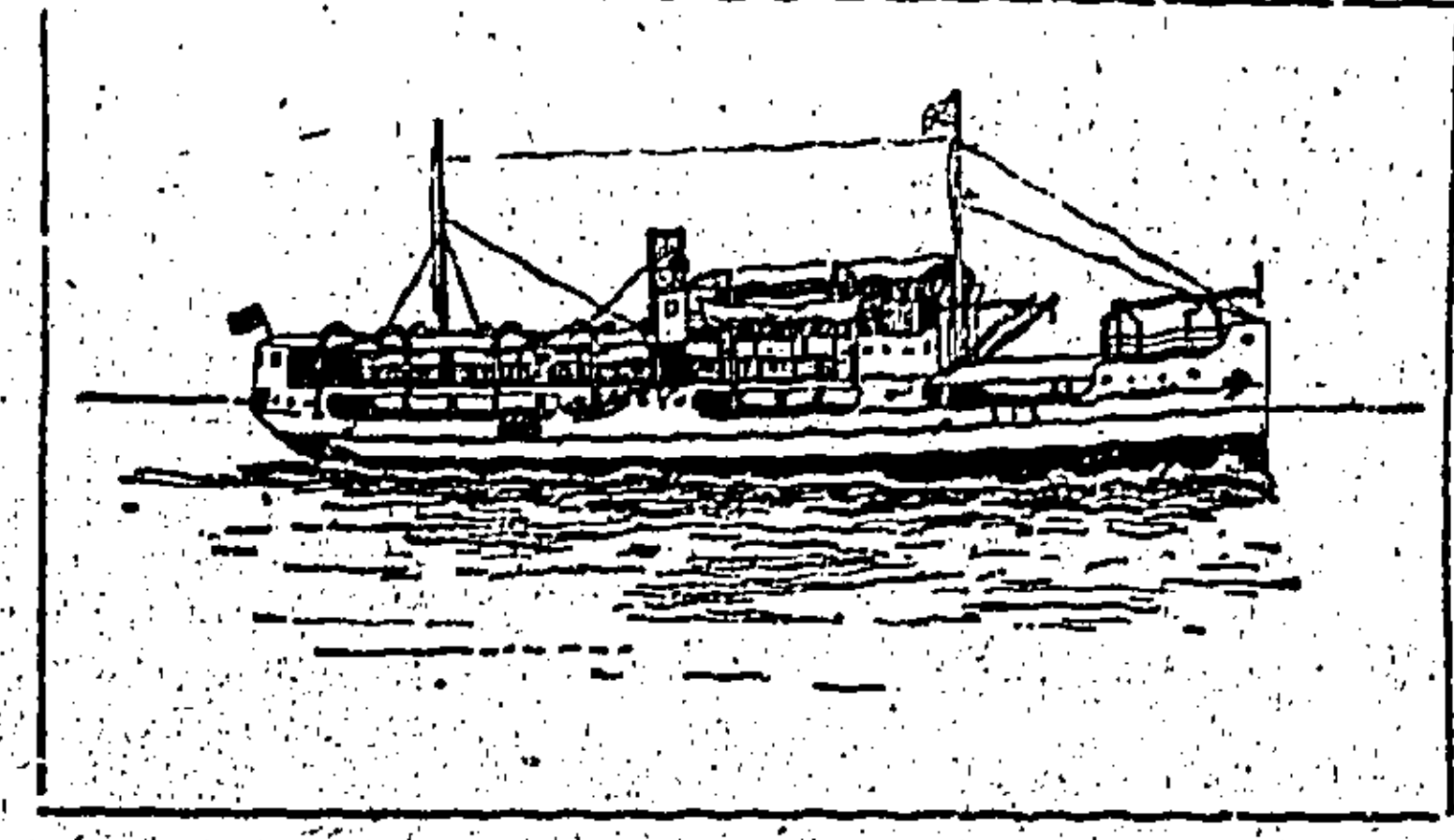
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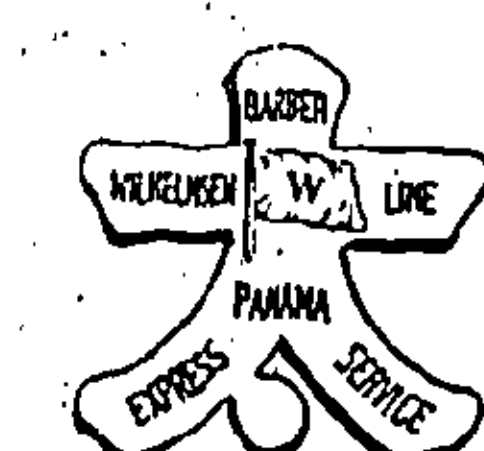
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CIVIL SERVICE.

One of the disadvantages of being a great nation is that the maintenance of Colonies and Dependencies necessitates the maintenance of a Civil Service. The Service has its uses; it is responsible for the manufacture of that which has come to be known by the exasperated British public as "red tape." It is said to have invented the term "under consideration," and to have provided by its existence a solution of the problem that annually faces our Universities and Public Schools. But, in proportion to the enormous expenditure which its high salaries entail, the good humour and patience of the British taxpayer is "phenomenal." The only section of the public which has the courage to challenge the necessity of so many civil servants, and to criticise their salaries, is the Press. For once, as we shall describe presently, we have official support of our attitude, and matters may come to pass that will cause rejoicing to those unfortunate who are not the civil servants but the economic slaves of the Government and its hiring, the Colonial Office.

In the governance of a Colony there is a large amount of purely clerical work which cannot be done by the Governors themselves; a Governor is expected to sign letters but not to type them. Therefore, clerks and typists are necessary. But the more clerks there are employed the more letters will there be written; and the more letters there are written, the more clerks will there

be employed. In fact, the Civil Service is the most prolific economic tree that ever spread its branches in colonial soil. In its ranks are people who are necessary and intelligent, and also people who are unnecessary. These are the supernumeraries; persons who pass their examinations with ease, and then take their ease afterwards. They may be seen any day in the offices of the Colonial Service, at Home or abroad, drawing plans that are never used or checking work that they could very well have done themselves.

This may seem a frivolous criticism and there may be those who think that its application to the Civil Service alone is unjust. But those members of the Service who enjoy in their own perfect confidence, not a sense of security merely (they all do), but the honest conviction that they are necessary units, will be invulnerable to our slings. There may even be a way of rewarding these deserving persons by increasing their salaries. But their salaries can only be increased with justice, by eliminating the unnecessary workers from their ranks. The Civil Service, in fact, is far too large. It is unwieldy, and its very size increases its expenditure. They have seen the truth of this at Home at last, and now action is to be taken.

The economy is to be effected in this wise. A Committee appointed last year by Mr. Amery to consider the conditions of the Colonial Office and the Colonial Service, has recommended the creation of a single Colonial Service. For some time past it had been considered that certain changes were necessary, owing to the growth of British Dependencies and the new status of the Dominions as established at the last Imperial Conference. It was found that under the growing system of independencies there were now many anomalies. For example, the Colonial Office has become a dual department, consisting of the Colonial Office proper and the Dominions Office. Added to this is another grave economic fact. The expenditure of the Colonial Governments alone has risen from £19,000,000 in 1909 to £39,000,000 in 1929, whilst the Governmental staffs have increased for the same period from 93,280 to 220,770. It is obvious that a strenuous enquiry, followed by a reform of the iniquitous, uneconomic system, were necessary.

In recommending the creation of a single Colonial Service the Committee urges that unified

special services, such as agriculture, medicine, and education should be organised within this single service.

If the recommendations of this Committee are accepted by the Government and enacted by Parliament (as we hope they will be) the effect on the Civil Service will be more disastrous to the "unnecessary" than the classic axe of Goddes. Stricter supervision in addition, is to be made of all appointments to the Service, and the final selection of candidates will rest with the judgment of a special Appointments Board. Let us hope that the Board will do their weeding thoroughly.

We would like to end, in the manner of the Greek orators, or a soft note. The Civil Service, necessary or unnecessary as it may be, can boast that for over a hundred years it has ruled and bled the country. It is merely despotism from an office stool; dictatorship on ten pounds a week. But when it ends, as all injustice must, some other department will wear the crown. We see the remedy, but why should we advise?

News in Brief.

The Kowloon Fire Brig de-
ceived a call at eight o'clock this
morning to Kai Yan Road, in Kow-
loon City, where a chimney became
ignited. Little damage was done.

In a report made to the Water
Police Station at 12.15 p.m. to-day,
the driver of a Kowloon Motor bus
stated that while traveling along
Nathan Road, a Chinese woman,
who was a second class passenger,
suddenly alighted and fell to the
ground. Her injuries were very
slight.

MAY DAY.

(Continued from Page 1.)

on Wednesday night, was produced
before Mr. A. W. G. H.
Grantham to-day.

He was a young man aged 22
years who was described as a
student from Singapore.

The case was fixed for hearing
on Tuesday.

The three men who were ar-
rested with seditious literature on
Sunday on the Praya, near
Queen's Pier, made another ap-
pearance before the same Magis-
trate, and their case was also fixed
for hearing on Tuesday.

As anticipated by the China
Mail no attempts were made by
the "Reds" to distribute literature
throughout the day yesterday (May
Day), the alertness of the Police
acting as an effective check to the
disciples of strife.

In the evening, however, they
again came out, as expected.
They were too afraid to make
their appearance in the town,
however, and contented them-
selves with "working" the out-
skirts.

Two men tried to distribute
some leaflets along Bonham Road
but found the Police ready for
them even there, and they were
soon behind iron bars. On this
mainland, too, a couple of "Reds"
tried to "work" the more isolated
districts, but they were also
effectively dealt with by the
Police.

These men will probably ap-
pear in Court to-morrow.

Only one other May Day in-
cident remains to be related and
this was the arrest of a suspected
Communist in a tea-house in
Queen's Road Central, during
yesterday afternoon. He is being
detained for interrogation.

There were no demonstrations
anywhere, and on the whole
Labour Day, yesterday, passed off
tamely as compared with former
years.

"A Plant"

That the case was a "plant"
and had been found to be a false
one, was the remark made by De-
fective-Sub-Inspector A. J. W.
Dorling at the Kowloon Magis-
trate's court this morning when he ap-
plied for the withdrawal of a
charge of the possession of seditious
papers, which was brought
against Chan King (32), a godown
coolie, before Mr. T. S. Whyte-
Smith.

The Police officer stated that
the right offender had been
caught and was being dealt with.
The Chinese constable was also
being dealt with by the Police
departmentally.

His Worship accordingly dis-
charged the man.

ROUND THE CINEMAS

"Untamed" at the
Queen's Theatre.

JOAN CRAWFORD'S ROLE.

With Joan Crawford and Robert
Montgomery in the leading roles,
"Untamed," which started its run
at the Queen's Theatre yesterday is
a good talkie with a fine admixture
of comedy, romance, and "sob,"
which one cannot fail to enjoy.

Joan Crawford, as "Bingo," had
the role of a girl born and bred in
the wilds, the daughter of an oil
prospector. Her father was killed
by a drunkard who coveted "Bingo,"
but she was taken charge of by
"Uncle Ben," her father's good
friend, also a prospector. He
sold "Bingo's" father's claim and
realised a million for her. Then
they made their way back to
civilization in New York.

On the ship "Bingo" fell in love
with "Andy McAllister," a young
student of mining engineering, with
a lot of sense but no cents, let alone
dollars! "Uncle" was against the
match and planned to hurt the boy's
feelings by offering him a cheque
for \$30,000 as "nest lining." The
way he put it had only one meaning
for the boy—that he wanted the
girl for her money. "Uncle's"
intention was, of course, to so
humiliate the boy so as to make him
leave town and thus go out of
"Bingo's" life.

"Uncle" had reckoned without
"Bingo," however. She warned
the boy that she would not allow
him to go out of her life alive. He
made to walk out of the house,
whereupon she fired a revolver at
him wounding him in the shoulder.
"Uncle" suddenly found himself
with a handful of trouble, having to
explain the cause of the wounding
of "Andy." Then he came to his
senses and realised that he was do-
ing wrong in standing in the way of
the young lovers. He got his friend,
Howard Presley, to offer "Andy"
a job as engineer of a mine at a
salary of \$30,000 per annum and
thus made the young couple's mar-
riage possible.

Included in the programme was a
Hearst Metrotone News reel, and a
musical film in which Yvette Rugel
sang three popular songs.

"ONE HYSTERICAL NIGHT"

A \$50,000 camera perambulator
running on inclined tracks was per-
fected by Director William James
Craft during the production of "One
Hysterical Night." Universal all-
talking comedy starring Reginald
Denny, which will open on Sunday at
the Queen's Theatre.

By use of the device the camera,
in its sound-proof box, is moved
forward, backward, or in any direc-
tion for unusual angle shots, which
add unusual lifelike qualities to the
action of the picture.

It is controlled by mechanism
operated by two men seated on each
side of the booth.

"THE RED DANCE"

A splendid Fox film, "The Red
Dance," is being screened at the
Star Theatre to-day and to-morrow,
and is well worth seeing. It throws
a lurid light on the Russian revolu-
tion and on the machinations of
Rasputin, the Tsarina's "saintly ad-
viser," who met with his deserts
too late to save the Tsar and his
family from death.

Dolores del Rio takes the part of
a peasant girl, who becomes the
famous "Red Dancer" of Moscow,
and opposite her is Charles Farrell,
who scores a great success as the
Grand Duke Eugene.

Pressure on our space unfortu-
nately precludes a notice of the
length the picture demands, but we
can confidently recommend it to
those who desire something his-
torical and above the "sob" stuff so
prevalent in modern filmdom.

PETTY THEFTS.

Quartette of Chinese
Sent to Jail.

Four Chinese were brought be-
fore Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at the
Kowloon Magistrate's court this
morning, on charges of stealing.

The first man, Chan Ah-see, ad-
mitted that he stole a piece of
wood from a yard in Pei Ho
Street, and he got two months'
hard labour. He had a previous
conviction last month.

Ng Sun, pleaded guilty to steal-
ing four electric torches from a
shop in On Yau Street, and was
sentenced to six weeks' jail, while
Au Kwai had a similar sentence
meted out to him for stealing 12
pieces of clothing from a tailor
at 863, Canton Road.

Ng Chiu was sentenced to one
month's jail when he pleaded
guilty to stealing two water
pipes, the property of the P.W.D.
in Nathan Road near the Kowloon
Mortuary.

At the resumed inquest at Lei-
cester, on Mrs. Edith Lucy Mills,
a witness was arrested for alleged
perjury.

AUSTRIAN LOAN.

Austrian Chancellor in
London.

OFFICIAL RECEPTION.

Rugby. Yesterday.
The Austrian Chancellor, Dr.
Schober, arrived in London this
afternoon. He was welcomed by
representatives of the Premier
and the Foreign Secretary. This
evening a dinner was given in
his honour at the Foreign Office,
the guests including members of
the Cabinet, the Lord-Mayor of
London, Mr. Montagu Norman,
Governor of the Bank of England,
and high officials of the Foreign
Office.—British Wireless Service.

TRAFFIC IN GIRLS.

Charges Against Two
Men and a Woman.

ALLEGED DUAL SALE.

Transactions in which a 12-
year-old Chinese girl was sold
twice were involved in a case be-
fore Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at the
Kowloon Magistrate's court yester-
day afternoon, when two Chinese men
and a woman were charged with
taking part in the transaction.
It was alleged that the first male
accused sold the girl to the woman
for \$140, and she in turn trans-
ferred the girl to the other man
for \$175.

The first male accused gave
evidence yesterday, when he
stated that the girl was offered to
him by her sister to be adopted
as a daughter. He refused the
offer, but remembering that he
had heard from a woman named
Pang Yee that her relatives wish-
ed to adopt a girl, he got the girl's
sister in touch with this woman
and what subsequently occurred
between them he did not concern
himself with. He admitted that
the purchase money, \$140, was
paid over to the girl's sister at his
house, but he was not at home at
the time.

The case was adjourned until
Wednesday at 11 a.m., for the
other two accused to give evi-
dence.

BANK RATE DOWN.

Another Question of
Interest.

The Currency Committee will
no doubt note with interest that
the Bank of England discount
rate is now 3 per cent. This is
the lowest rate since the dismal
years of 1922 and 1923, the rate
having reached 7 per cent. at its
highest in the post-war boom of
1920-21.

The highest rate recorded since
1886 is 10 per cent. in 1914,
whilst the low level of 2 per cent.
was last known as far back as
1897. Only last year the Bank
Rate in England reached a high
level of 6½, since which it has
steadily dropped.

It is a reasonable assumption
that interest rates in Hong Kong
will follow the London example.
Current rumour has it that the
Colonies is "simply full of money."
The average wage-earner is left
wondering where it all is!

CASE FOR THE 'ARMY'

Home Found for Erring
Maid.

Au Shun-ching (16), a servant
girl, formerly employed by Mr.
F. C. Mow Fung at the Crampian
farm, Kowloon City, and who stole
a case box and a pen from him,
was again brought before Mr.
Whyte-Smith at the Magistrate's
court this morning.

Sub-Inspector Elston stated
that the Salvation Army had un-
dertaken to maintain the girl.

His Worship said that in view
of the girl's dishonesty, he hoped
she would appreciate the good-
ness of the Salvation Army and
make the most of it.

A caution was registered.

Ten Years Ago

[From the "China Mail"
May 2, 1920.]

To-day's dollar is worth 4/
74d.

The fifth annual dog, cat
and poultry show, held at the
Happy Valley Race Course by
courtesy of the Jockey Club, attract-
ed many spectators, and the Show
in spite of the bad weather, was the
most successful yet held.

The entries included 88 dogs, 18
pigeons, 7 cats and 155 poultry.

Mr. V. C. Labrum, who went to
Kilkee with the Hong Kong con-
tingent and later journeyed to the
Balkans, returned to the Colony
to-day by the s.s. "Huntagreen," an
ex-German vessel.

FIGHT TO CONTROL MALARIA

IMPORTANT PART PLAYED BY SOIL.

A NEW FACTOR.

The condition of the soil as a contributing factor to the incidence of malaria was a point emphasised by Professor K. B. Williamson in an address delivered before the annual meeting of the British Medical Association (Malayan branch) in Singapore.

"Rural Malaria in Malaya" was the subject of the address, and the speaker called attention to the fact that the death rate from fevers, mainly of malarial origin, had decreased by about 75 per cent. in the chief towns of the F.M.S., and by about 50 per cent. in those of the Straits Settlements, during the last ten years; but that of the residual populations, mainly rural, had not been appreciably reduced. The sum of \$120,000 had been spent on rural anti-malarial work in Singapore Island in 1928, although its area was only about 200 square miles. Though part of this was capital expenditure the work went on from year to year; and at this rate if only one-fifth of the 51,000 square miles in Malaya needed protection, an impossible burden would be placed on the country's exchequer.

Even if the money were forthcoming anti-malarial work in most villages could not be controlled from sanitary headquarters, and the trained personnel was not available. Many of the coolies employed on it would under these circumstances themselves die. Therefore, although the work mentioned, taken in conjunction with that in Penang, probably had no parallel in the world, it could not be imitated over the country at large. Moreover at the present rate of deforestation some thousands of square miles of highly malarious country would be opened up within the next fifty years.

Cheaper and automatically effective means of prevention must be sought. Of these a general improvement in agriculture which created wealth, while it increased health, held out most promise. This was made evident historically both in Europe and elsewhere, and it possessed the advantage that the people's standard of living was raised, their housing improved, and their ability to resist disease increased. But the alleged causes of the accompanying decrease of malaria were not equal to explaining it. To do so we must consider the changes occurring in the soil; and it was of interest to recall that settlers in the prairies of America attributed their acquired freedom from malaria to the soil becoming "mellowed" when it came under cultivation.

High Nitrogen Content.

Elsewhere it was equally important and its quality was a main determinant of malaria. Good husbandry maintained a high level of nitrogen and of organic matter in the soil, factors deterrent to mosquito-breeding of the kinds causing malaria.

Quoting figures supplied by the Agricultural Department and by the Rubber Research Institute, as well as those obtained by himself, the speaker showed that the nitrogen content of ricefields on flat coastal land, where there was little and sometimes no malaria, ranged from 3 to 6 parts per thousand. The higher figure was the average for peaty districts, and corresponded with practically no malaria. On the other hand, in hill rice valleys, where malaria was much worse, an average of only 1.5 parts was present; and though much higher figures occurred especially on peaty land, the average figure for a large number of rubber estates worked out at less than one per thousand. Rubber as a crop was notoriously associated with malaria, often severe, and 1.0 part per thousand might probably be considered as about the upper limit of the tolerance of soil nitrogen (always associated with organic matter) of a maculatus. Most A. maculatus soils undoubtedly contained much less nitrogen than this.

Two generations of Malayan workers had been studying the effect of the composition of their breeding water upon the occurrence of different species of anophelines, the opinion of the speaker that individuals as well as species that carry most malaria are bred from pure water being restated. Sir Malcolm Watson first enumerated the belief that rot was antagonistic to malaria; and Dr. Hacker laid the foundation of our present knowledge, aided as he was by the unprecedented series of analyses by Mr. Blair, and the co-operation of Dr. Quilley at Kent Estate; knowledge which was still far from complete. But it now transpired that the composition of the soil was the main determinant of the chemical, and also probably of the bacterial composition of breeding waters. The soil exerted its greatest effects in shallow stagnant waters, especially if the bottom was stirred up, being relatively less effective in clear running water. It had not been sufficiently realised that under shallow stagnant conditions many, if not most, soils

were definitely destructive to anopheline larvae, and especially to those of potentially malarious species. Figures supplied by Mr. Belgrave of the Agricultural Department proved that almost all Malayan soils, on long standing with a little water, gave up many times more ammonia to it than was compatible with the existence of even the coarsest species, such as A. vagus and A. kochi, which were non-malarious under Malayan conditions. The presence of the ammonia was an index of other, and probably more harmful agents, chemical and bacterial.

Practical Suggestions.

Research on these lines had not yet been applied to the control of malaria in Malaya, but the time for this had now come. The speaker offered the following practical suggestions, several of which he had made before to the Malaria Advisory Board of the F.M.S., or in the pages of the Malayan Medical Journal:—

(1) Dry-cropping rice fallows, especially on hill valleys with a leguminous crop, which would directly enrich the soil with nitrogen, and provide fodder for an increased number of buffaloes. If the Malays continued to let their land lie idle and revert to pestilential marsh for six months in the year, it would become more and more difficult for them to justify their neglect in face of the country's increasing need for home-grown food.

(2) Keeping pigs in the vicinity of seepage areas where A. maculatus might otherwise be expected; and the deep-trenching of hill slopes, with sterilised night-soil, in order to intercept and pollute underground seepage, the latter being a purely experimental measure.

Thus the health of the Malay would be improved by the animal of his pride and election, namely the buffalo, the desire to provide food for which might be an incentive to him to cultivate his fallows; and that of the Tamil and the Chinese by the pig, numbers of which, as things were, having to be imported yearly, it would be equally useful on rubber estates, where it would help to feed the coolies, at least the Chinese ones, or could be sold for a profit. Also rotting fish, entirely effective against mosquitoes in Krian, as well as food and manure, could be derived at a trifling cost from fishponds. Rubber cultivation paid heavily for its one-sidedness.

(3) Heavily manuring coco-nut groves, as well as directly polluting the ditches in them, in which A. umbrosus breeds. This could best be done in connection with an associated animal industry such as the raising of poultry, or fish, the pungent, substituted ammonia and other bacterial products of decaying fish probably being peculiarly effective larvicides.

(4) Stirring the soil in stagnant ditches. For the reason above stated a muck-rake might in certain situations be as effective as an oiling can.

Among the most urgent questions remaining in Malaya were: can the common anophelines, for example, A. maculatus be enticed away from man to cattle and pigs? Also:—Is it certain that this and other so-called malarious species always carry malaria? For example, do they do so equally when bred from the relatively impure aeration pits in rubber estates and pure springs and seepages?

New Investigators.

In order to place the agricultural and biochemical control of malaria on an assured basis, knowledge of the chemical and bacteriological causes at work was needed. To obtain this knowledge, two classes of investigators, at present unfortunately not recognised by malarial science, were necessary, namely the hydrobiological chemist and the microbiologist.

Sir Walter Fletcher had last year stated that there were probably more sufferers from malaria in the world than there were thirty years ago. The reason for this was that rural malaria, which was probably 80 or 90 per cent. of all there was, defied control all over the world. The knowledge now dawning of the part played by the soil offered an additional hope of cure, if slow, progress. In the meantime, current measures of oiling and draining and the search for an efficient drug, should not be abandoned. But the constitution of the soil in relation to cropping, draining, and animal husbandry was fundamental and could no longer be ignored.

The lecturer concluded with an appeal that the inquiry he had been pursuing should go forward until it was brought to a practical issue.—Straits Times.

BANDITS BUSY.

Two Spanish Priests Carried Away.

Shanghai, Yesterday. It is learned that bandits captured Taihu in south-west Anhwei on April 27, and took prisoner a Spanish priest, Father Herrera, who has since been rescued by troops and has arrived at Anking. Bandits are also reported to have captured the neighbouring town

CO-RESPONDENT IN DIVORCE ACTION.

"NO SENSE IN WITHHOLDING NAME OF PARTY."

JUDGE'S COMMENTS.

A decree nisi was granted by Judge G. W. King, O.B.E., in the British supreme court on April 25 in the case in which Gertrude Gladys Hayward sought the annulment of her matrimonial bonds with Albert Edward Hayward, of Lane, Crawford and Company. A co-respondent, an unnamed non-British woman, was cited, but was not legally represented and the case proceeded with in her absence.

Solicitor Roder Harris appeared for the petitioner, and in stating the case for his client referred to the private detective work done by F. J. Bishop, of the China credit information and mercantile bureau, who, under instructions from Mrs. Hayward had trailed the defendant and the co-respondent to the Forts hotel, Wossung, one Saturday afternoon, returning to Shanghai after satisfying himself that there was sufficient evidence to enable the lady to seek divorce from her husband.

When giving judgment, Judge King remarked that in divorce cases in the future every endeavour must be made to establish the identity of the co-respondent, because there was no sense in withholding the name of any party to a divorce action that may have misbehaved.—China Press.

OH, THOSE LEGS!

Pretty Ankles Cause Street Accidents.

OLD MAN TANTALISED.

The fair sex in Shanghai is responsible for many street accidents.

So says a veteran traffic officer who, during many years in Shanghai, has seen accidents come and go—mostly come. The officer does not say that the ladies are at fault, but rather that they unwittingly cause many traffic mishaps.

In his opinion, based on long experience, trim feminine ankles and short skirts result in accidents as well as careless and reckless vehicle drivers, riksha coolies, and others.

"The situation," said the traffic officer, "is far better than it was a few years back when short skirts first became fashionable. But there are still many hundreds of the sterner sex who have no aversion to following with their eyes a trim pair of silk-clad ankles topped off by a short skirt."

"And what happens? The ankles cross the street and so does the onlooker. He has eyes not for the traffic but for the ankles. And accidents result. This by no means applies only to foreigners, but to Chinese males as well."

One day I was standing on a busy street corner watching traffic. A rather pretty girl wearing a scanty skirt and silk stockings crossed the street. Just behind her was a foreign man, old enough to be on the alert when crossing a street.

"Did he have eyes for the traffic and its dangers? No, only for the slender ankles. A fast-moving riksha bowled him over neatly—and the irate pedestrian blamed the coolie. Similar accidents occur every day, but are seldom reported."

Asked as to a remedy for the situation, the officer grinned and said: "Absent Ankles Avert Accidents."—Shanghai Times.

"LET'S MARRY."

How Aged Bridegroom Proposed.

Mrs. H. Garner, the 72-year-old bride of Market Weighton who on March 26 married her sweetheart of 60 years ago, told a newspaper reporter that she and her 78-year-old husband went to school together at Gipsy Bridge, near Boston, Lincolnshire. They were boy and girl sweethearts, but each married someone else.

Fifty years afterwards they met again and fell in love once more. "My husband has not altered a bit since we were boy and girl together," she said. "He may be a bit older looking, but he has the same quiet way and the same smile."

Mrs. Garner laughed when she was asked if it was an old-fashioned proposal. "I do not believe in those ideas of getting down on your knees to propose," she replied. "I am in favour of the modern method of saying, 'Let's get married.' That is what we did. It is not the way you propose, your rings, or things like that that count. It is just whether you are happy and get on well together."

of Hweshan on April 28 and taken prisoner two Spanish priests, Fathers Hidalgo and Avila, and their whereabouts are at present unknown.—Reuter.

ALLEGED INHUMANE TREATMENT.

SHOCKING INJURIES TO A CHILD.

MISTRESS CHARGED.

The objection of Mr. Hugh-Jones to Mr. H. R. Butters, Assistant to the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs prosecuting in a case in which a Chinese woman named Ho Yee-ku living at 63, Laichikok Road, is charged with ill-treating a mui tsai, seven years of age, had an amicable settlement in the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. The matter was settled by Mr. Whyte-Smith, who entered the name of Mr. Butters on the charge sheet, instead of the Hon. S.C.A.

Inspector M. J. Murphy, of the S.C.A., was also present and was the first witness called.

Mr. Butters said that on April 26, he received information by letter as a result of which he instructed Inspector Murphy to raid 63 Laichikok Road. When the officer arrived there, he entered the floor and saw the little girl, who pointed to the defendant as "the chastiser. She also showed the Police officer a few pieces of rope, with which she alleged the defendant tied her up while the punishment was inflicted."

Medical Statement.

Inspector Murphy accordingly arrested the woman and had the girl immediately sent to the Kowloon Hospital, where Dr. J. T. Smalley, medical officer-in-charge, examined her thoroughly. He found recent contusion wounds, cuts on her body, and bruises on her right thigh. Her left arm showed an old fracture of the elbow, while the fingers of the left hand were septic. The left wrist bore marks of having been bound by ropes. She also had a cut on the upper lip, and abrasions.

The middle finger of the right hand was fractured, and the first finger septic. She also bore rope marks round her right wrist.

When the woman was taken to the Police Station and charged she is alleged to have admitted frankly that she had beaten her mui tsai.

After evidence was taken, the case was adjourned.

ALLEGED FRAUDS.

Goods Obtained on Credit.

OVER \$10,000 INVOLVED.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. A. W. G. H. Grantham heard evidence in the case in which a Chinese named Chan Kai-sang is charged with unlawfully, fraudulently, and deceitfully conspiring to obtain goods to the value of \$10,598.16.

The prosecution was conducted by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, instructed by Mr. E. S. G. Brooks, whilst Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones was for the defence.

According to Mr. Sheldon, the accused was a member of a firm known as the Chan Sang Tong, and he was alleged, to have obtained goods, to the amount stated in the charge, from various other firms. In some cases no payment was made for the goods obtained, and in others small sums were paid as deposit. The goods were mostly ordered by accused or a man named Ip Shu-yun, described as a partner of the Chan Sang Tong firm.

The prosecution alleged conspiracy to defraud between the accused and the man Ip, claiming that they had ordered the goods without any intention of paying for them. The goods were mostly obtained during February and the first week of March.

The alleged fraudulent nature of the Chan Sang Tong firm, was discovered when on March 7 when the managing partner of the Chung Sang Knitting Factory, which had supplied goods to the value of \$604, visited the Chan Sang Tong firm. The accused was not there, but the visitor discovered on the premises an interesting document which was a list of a large portion of the goods which had been obtained on credit. The goods were supposed to have been shipped by a boat named Ah Luk, but the interesting part of the document was the fact that the prices of the goods, as stated in the document, were about two-thirds of the price which accused would have had to pay for the goods. This suggested that accused was operating "what was known in London as 'long firm fraud.' The Police were informed and subsequently accused was arrested.

After some evidence had been taken, the case was adjourned until Wednesday afternoon.

12. Fox Trot: (a) "Pretending," (b) "Breakaway," Extra (Time Permitting): (a) "Anything Your Heart Desires," (b) "Josephine," (c) "Can't We Be Friends," 12 Midnight—Close Down.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on 355 metres:—

6-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7-7.30 p.m.—Lesson in Cantonese by Rev. H. R. Wells.
7.30-9.30 p.m.—Programme of Victor Records:

"Serenade" (Les Millions d'Arlequin) (R. Drigo).
"The Flower of Italy" (G. de Stagno).
"Lo Hero the Gentle Lark" (Shakespeare-Sir Henry R. Bishop).
"Swiss Echo Song" (Carl Eckert).
"Marion Talley."

"Alice Blue Gown" (Joseph McCarthy-Harry-Tierney).
"Beautiful Lady" (C. M. S. McLellan-Ivan Caryll).
"The Troubadours."

"Songs of Our Native Birds"—Charles Kellogg. "The Nature Singer."
"Du Bist Die Ruh" (My Sweet Repose) (Schubert, Op. 59, No. 3).
"Die Lorelei" (The Loreley)" (Franz Liszt).
Sigrid Onegin, Contralto with Piano.

"My Blue Heaven" (G. Whiting-W. Donaldson).
"The Song is Ended" (Irving Berlin).
Jesse Crawford, Wurlitzer Organ.

"Sea Songs"—Victor Male Chorus. (Male Chorus with Orchestra).
"Louise-Berouet" (Charpentier).
"Jongleur De Notre Dame—Legende De La Saule (The Juggler of Notre Dame—Legend of the Sagebrush)" (Massenet).

Marcel Journet, Bass with Orchestra.
"I Kiss Your Hand Madame" (R. Erwin-F. Rottler).
"Twilight" (Eduard Bianco).
Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

"Impressions of London" (Wealminster).
"St. Margaret's" Chimes Westminster and "Oh God Our Help in Ages Past" (Stanley Roper).
"Hungarian Dance No. 5" (Brahms).
"Hejre Kati—Csardas" (Hubay).
Feri Sarkoz, Cymbalom Solo with Guitar.

"Just A-Wearyin' for You" (F. Stanton-Carric Jacobs-Bond).
"I Love You Truly" (Carric Jacobs-Bond).
Dusolina Giannini.

"A Hunting Scene" (P. Bucalossi).
"Patrol Comique" (T. Hindley-M. L. Lark).
Victor Concert Band, Direction, Rosario Bourdon.

"Caprice in E Flat Major" (W. J. Kreutzer).
"Vocalise" (S. Rachmaninoff-Michel Press).
Mischa Elman, Violin Solo.

"Quartet in D" (Haydn).
Elman String Quartet.
"I Love to Hear You Singing" (L. Clavier-H. Wood).
"Hawaiian Sandman" (C. O'Flynn-F. H. Kieckmann).
Jesse Crawford, Wurlitzer Organ.

9.30 p.m.—Special Dance Programme.
Extra: Waltz (9.30 p.m.).
(a) "Kiss Me Again," (b) "Underneath the Russian Moon."

1. One Step:
(a) "You Were Meant For Me," (b) "Mean to Me," Trio: "I Zingari"—De Groot.

2. Fox Trot:
(a) "Waiting of the Painted Doll," (b) "I Kiss Your Hand Madame," Octet "La Cinquante" Squire.

3. Fox Trot:
(a) "Broadway Melody," (b) "You're the Cream in My Coffee," Park Lane Hotel Orchestra, "Salut D'Amour."

4. Waltz:
(a) "Pagan Love Song," (b) "Evangeline," Violin Solo, "Aloha Oe" Kreutzer.

5. Fox Trot:
(a) "Singing in the Rain," (b) "Singing in the Bath Tub," Grenadier Guards Band, "Softly Awakes My Heart."

6. Fox Trot (10.15 p.m.):
(a) "Got a Feeling For You," (b) "Waiting at the End of the Road," Trio "My Flame of Love," De Groot.

7. Fox Trot:
(a) "Low Down Rhythm," (b) "Honey," Gavotte from "Mignon" Squire Octet.

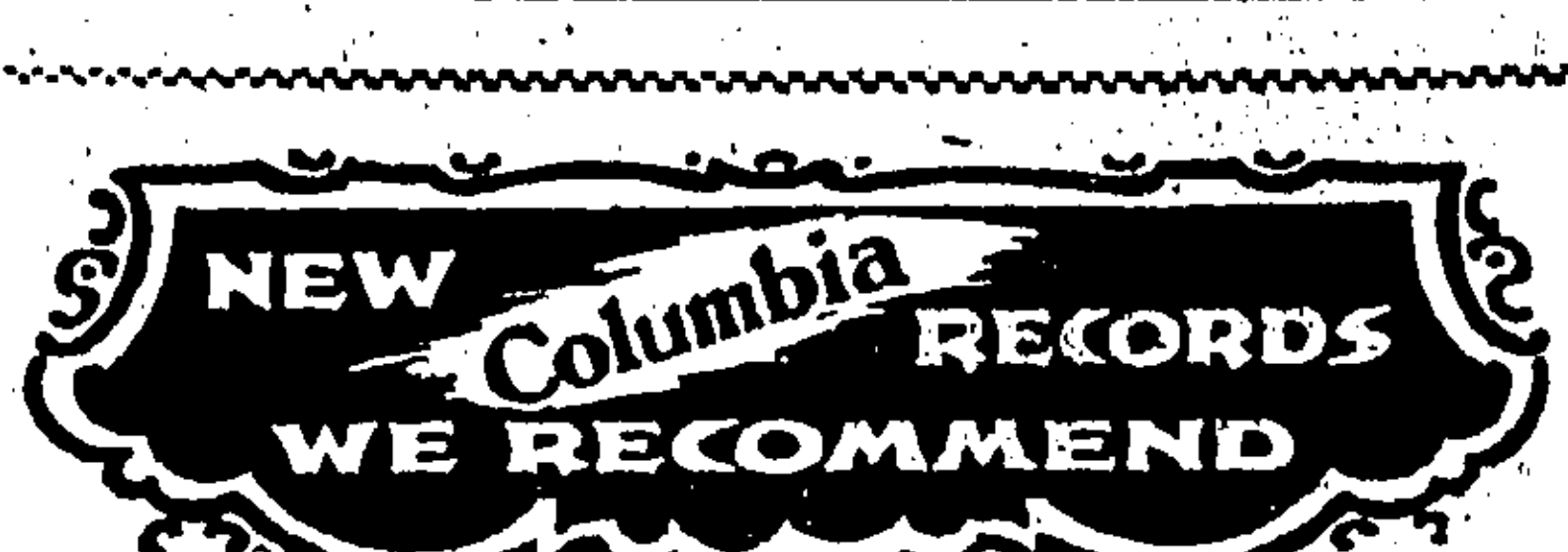
8. Waltz:
(a) "Song of Songs for Me," (b) "Virtuoso," Park Lane Hotel Orchestra, "For You Alone."

9. Fox Trot:
(a) "Too Wonderful for Words," (b) "Big City Blues," Violin Solo, "Fragrant Serenade," Kreutzer.

10. Fox Trot:
(a) "Miss You," (b) "I'm Just a Vagabond Lover," Violin Solo, "Estrellita," Albert Sammons.

11. Waltz (11.10 p.m.):
(a) "I'll See You Again," (b) "Song of the Nile," (c) "The Glow Worm," Victor Orchestra.

(Continued at foot of preceding column.)



9919	Marche Militaire	Gren Gds Band.
	Villanelle	"
5685	Salut D'Amour	Sandler's Orch.
	For You Alone	"
5683	Zip Zip	Sir Dan Godfrey's Orch.
	Whispering Pines	"
5706	Ideale	Lensen's Orch.
	Value Apache	"
5682	Star Of Love	Sammons Violin.
	From The Cranebrake	"
5698	Progressions	Banjo Solo.
	Anita Waltz	Instrumental Trio.
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LAWN BOWLS IN NEW SEASON.

PROSPECTS FOR THE OPENING MATCHES.

LISTS OF PLAYERS.

[By "Short Hand."]

Lawn bowlers in this Colony are fortunate in having a very limited close season, thanks to the suitability of the climate. Indeed, the premier bowling Club—the Kowloon Bowling Green Club—usually close down one day and open a new season on the following day, thus giving their members the "most-favoured-Club" treatment by being able to play all the year round. This, of course, is not always an advantage—certainly not so great an advantage as some would make out. Some players may be seen on the green practically every night, and by the time the League season opens they have a tendency to staleness which is not conducive to good team work.

League or Friendly?

It is a moot point whether League games are the most enjoyable form of lawn bowls. It is submitted, and not sometimes without reason, that a competition of this nature makes for over-seriousness and a procession up and down the green of "funereal dials" as if the destiny of a sheep station were at stake on every head. In informal matches, on the other hand, with not even silver spoons in the offing, the true sporting instincts and the free and easy tactics of the players can be drawn out much more fully. The best can be seen of the social side of the game, a side that is its greatest attraction for exponents of lawn bowls, as witness the always pleasant, and often exciting matches at Government House under the wing of the Hon. Mr. Wilfred T. Southern. However, as we do have a League, and as the matches therein are scheduled to begin to-morrow, let us all make the most of it, and in the spirit of a famous Scottish "soccer" player, "play till we drop" in the cause of our own particular Club.

Police Hopes.

Thanks to the sporting spirit of the winners of the Second Division last season—Taikoo Recreation Club—in not seeking promotion and two teams in the First Division—the Police Recreation Club, last year's wooden spoonists, will again be seen in the senior section this season. As happened to the Civil Service Cricket Club a couple or three seasons ago, the Police last year could do everything but win. Certainly their standard of bowls was no whit below that of some of their conquerors by very narrow margins. They have been out early at practice this season, and although it is inevitable, owing to Home leave and other reasons, that there should be changes in the personnel of their ranks, they ought to make a respectable showing if they have exercised their bad "joss."

They have as their opponents to-morrow the Club de Recreio at Happy Valley and, without really wishing the sporting Portuguese any harm, a win for the defenders of the peace would be welcomed by all lawn bowlers. Last year the Police lost this match by 71 shots to 44.

Two Kowloon Clubs.

Those near rivals, the Kowloon Cricket Club and the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, meet on the ground of the former, who sprang a surprise last season by winning by 62 to 52 shots. The K.C.C. side on paper looks a trifle weaker in some places than last season, whilst the K.B.G.C. ought to field at least as good a team as last year. The result ought to be very close.

Kowloon Dock Recreation Club are at home to the Craigengower Cricket Club and choice of ground may enable them to repeat last season's victory of 63 to 49 shots.

The Civil Service C.C. have as guests the Taikoo Recreation Club the latter winning last year by 66 to 50. I have seen both Clubs in action in friendlies this season, and I am not prepared to spot the winner to-morrow. Whichever side wins will have to go the whole way.

Second Division.

A bad practice has grown up of calling this the "junior" division when it is really nothing of the kind as it requires a mingling of experienced players to act as guides and counsellors to the newer but not necessarily young-

Our Sports Diary

LOCAL

Tennis—May 10—Tennis League commences—Division "A"—H.K.C.C. v. C.R.C.; S.C.A.A. v. I.R.C.; M.B.K. v. K.C.C.; Division "B"—C.R.C. v. N.G.; H.K.C.C. v. C.S.C.C.; U.S.R.C. v. H.K.U.T.C.; E.Y.M.C.A. v. I.R.C.; K.C.C. v. C.C.G.; Division "C"—C.S.C.C. v. H.K.C.C.; C.T.C. v. F.C.; K.C.C. v. C.R.C.; Club de Recreio v. I.R.C.; H.K.U.T.C. v. K.I.T.C.

May 12—K.C.C. tournament commences.

Chess—To-day—German Tennis Club v. Kowloon Chess Club.

Sports—To-day and To-morrow—Hong Kong Area Military Athletic Sports. Army Athletic Ground, Soekumpoo.

To-morrow—Sacred Heart College Sports, Kowloon F.C. Ground.

To-morrow—St. Joseph's College Sports, Caroline Hill, noon.

Cricket—Sunday—Volunteers v. Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders, Navy ground, 11 a.m.

Golf—To-morrow and Sunday—Captain's Cup, Fanling.

Rifle Shooting—To-morrow and Sunday—Interport practice, Taikoo Range, 2.30 p.m.

Racing—May 17—Extra Race Meeting.

Lawn Bowls—To-morrow—League commences—Division I.—K.D.R.C. v. C.C.C.; K.C.C. v. K.B.G.C.; Police R.C. v. Club de Recreio; C.S.C.C. v. Taikoo R.C.; Division II—Taikoo R.C. v. R.H.K.Y.C.; C.C.C. v. K.C.C.; Club de Recreio v. C.S.C.C.; K.B.G.C. v. H.K. Electric Co.

May 10—Entries for Open Singles Championship close.

Water Polo—May 10—Entries close for League, 6 p.m.

HOME

Rugby Football—To-morrow—Rugby League Cup, Final, Wembley.

Golf—May 6—British Professional Championship, Southport.

May 12—British Ladies' Open Championship, Formby.

May 16—Walker Cup—Great Britain v. America, St. George's Golf Club.

May 23—England v. Scotland, St. Andrew's.

May 26—Amateur Championship, St. Andrew's.

Racing—May 7—Two Thousand Guineas, Newmarket.

May 13—Chester Cup.

May 17—Jubilee Handicap, Kempton Park.

Cricket—May 17—M.C.C. v. Australians, Lord's.

May 31—Test Trial Match, England v. The Rest, Lord's.

The Craigengower C.C. have as visitors the K.C.C. and ought to repeat their last season's triumph by 72-48.

The Club de Recreio are hosts to the Civil Service C.C. The latter will have to shape better than a year ago when they just pulled the match out of the fire by the narrow margin of 55-51.

The K.B.G.C. have the choice of ground against the Hong Kong Electric Company, whom they beat a year ago by the big score of 74-47. Since then the "Electric" have come on, and they will endeavour to turn the tables to-morrow—unless they get "fused" by our friend "Attaboy."

To-morrow's Teams.

So far as can be learned the teams for to-morrow will be:

Division I.

K.C.C.—H. Overy, F. Goodwin, J. C. Lyle, J. Gibson (skip).

H. Gittins, W. Webb, A. Hyde Lay, J. Fraser (skip).

A. C. Burford, J. Howe, C. J. Taichi, A. E. Silstone (skip).

Reserve—L. E. Lammert, C.S.C.C.—Simmonds, Westlake, Holledge, Grimmett (skip).

Dobbie, Longbottom, Moss and Gregory (skip).

F. Jones, Alderman, Oswick, and Brawn (skip).

Reserves—Massey and Strange, Taikoo R.C.—J. Chalmers, T. Polson, J. Russell, and W. Wetherston (skip).

T. Grimes, J. B. Chapman, G. McLeod, and N. Drummond (skip).

J. Sloan (sen.), A. Stalker, J. Laing, and R. Wallace (skip).

Division II.

Taikoo R.C.—C. Summers, T. Stainton, W. Bell, R. K. Duncan (skip).

W. Cunningham, W. Brown, S. Amery, J. J. Whyte (skip).

J. Sloan (jun.), T. Swan, G. H. Stewart, D. Walmesley (skip).

K.C.C.—D. A. Purves, O. B. Raven, V. C. Labrum, J. M. Jack (skip).

W. Borrowman, C. G. Harrison, W. Goldenberg, B. Petheram (skip).

F. W. Carr, L. A. Jeeves, W. W. Hirst, L. G. Blackburn (skip).

Reserves—A. J. Kew, J. S. Dinnen and Capt. F. Maddox, R.A. Hong Kong Electric R.C.—S. J. Clarke, E. Thompson, D. S. Hill, W. H. B. Musket (skip).

W. Stoker, G. T. Padgett, F. F. Duckworth and H. Hatch (skip).

A. Tarbuck, T. P. Sanderson, L. de Rome and A. F. Paul (skip).

Reserves: V. Sorby and H. S. Jones.

Civil Service C.C.—Holdman, Wood, Deakin, and Archibald (skip).

E. L. Holland, Davies, W. E. Hollands, and Maughan (skip).

Whant, Bickford, Murphy, and Taylor (skip).

Reserves—Willmott and Luck.

\$20,000 ROMNEY.

Sold by Sir T. R. A. Morris for Death Duties.

Captain Sir T. R. Armine Morris, of Sketty Park, Swansea, to help to meet the death duties on the estate of his father, who died in 1927, has sold a Romney portrait of "Mrs. Morris and Child" to Colonel Carstairs, an American, for nearly £20,000.

He said to a reporter: "I've got to pay these duties. In fact, I am selling eight more pictures, four by Sir Joshua Reynolds and four by Hoppner, next month. Only necessity compels me to part with these treasures."

The picture sold is believed to be that of the owner's great-grandmother with her son. Before her marriage she was a Miss Musgrave, a famous beauty of her time, who also sat for Reynolds.

Sir T. R. Armine Morris owns about 3,000 acres. The gross value of his father's estate was £207,388, with net personality £53,895.

Seven company directors, including well-known public men, were defendants in an action in the King's Bench Division concerning a concession in Bolivia.

K.C.C. CLUB HOUSE.

Proposal for \$60,000 Building.

LONG-DELAYED DECISION.

An extraordinary general meeting of members of the Kowloon Cricket Club is to be held in the Club house on Friday, May 9, when several important proposals will be discussed, including the building of a new Club house at an estimated cost of \$60,000.

The question has been under consideration for a number of years, but no definite decision has been arrived at. It was at one time thought that the Club would move over to King's Park, but in view of the present proposals, the possibility of having to remove from the present site seems remote.

It is understood that the building will be of one storey. The site will be on the plot of land between the cricket ground and the bowling green near Cox's Path.

To procure funds for the building of the Club house, it is the intention to raise a sum not exceeding \$35,000 by means of \$10 debentures bearing interest at six per cent. The Committee is asking for authority, in order to provide security for such a debenture issue and in order to limit the individual liability of members, to take the necessary steps to convert the Club into a limited liability company with an individual liability of \$50 per member.

At the same extraordinary general meeting, it is proposed to make amendments to the rules. The effect of the amendments (if carried) will be to increase the subscription for ordinary members from \$2 to \$3 per month, of sea-going members from \$1 to \$1.50 per month and of naval and military subscribers from \$2 to \$3 per month.

CHINESE DEMANDS.

Note to Australian Government.

DISLIKE FINGER PRINTS.

Sydney, Yesterday.

The Chinese Consul General has sent a Note to the Federal Government urging the discontinuance of the taking of finger-prints of un-prohibited Chinese. The practice was instituted in order to identify prohibited immigrants. The Note says the practice is embarrassing the Nationalist Government as it causes a popular demand for reciprocity.

It appeals also for limitation of the indiscriminate right of search of prohibited immigrants, which is not applied to other nationalities.

The Note suggests the pardoning of the few prohibited immigrants who may be hiding in Australia, and the institution of a rigid system of registration at the Consulate.

The Note also contends that the ban on the entry of wives leads to immorality, and suggests allowing young relatives to replace aged Chinese returning to China.

Reuter.

TRAIN HELD UP.

Big Haul in New South Wales.

Sydney, Yesterday.

Two bandits boarded the Muderoo mail train at Emu Plains Station about eleven o'clock last night and threatened with revolvers the conductor and the armed man who was guarding a consignment of bullion. They leaped from the train on a steep grade with the bullion box containing £25,000 in cash and £13,000 in cheques. The train reached Glebebrook fifteen minutes later and a general alarm was sent out. To-day the police discovered the tracks of a motor-car in the bush near the hold-up and later two swagmen were arrested on vagrancy charges. The whole country is being searched but no clues have been discovered.—Reuter.

Have You Heard?

The road was up, and the navvies were sitting around eating their mid-day snack.

A jovial clergyman was passing by.

"Good morning, men; good morning," he said, heartily. "Al fresco to-day?"

One of the navvies shook his head doubtfully.

"Who's ridin' 'im, guv'nor?" he asked.

A young fellow was walking along the street, looking very disconsolate, when he met a friend, who noticed his sad expression.

"Halloa, Bert!" exclaimed the friend, "anything gone wrong?"

"Yes," answered Bert, sadly. "My girl won't look at me, since I sent her a birthday present, and it cost me five pounds. I can't think why it is."

"What did you send her, Bert?" asked the friend.

"A beauty culture outfit," replied Bert.

Customer: I want to pay cash for this car.

Salesman: Yes, sir, but it's so unusual that I'm afraid you'll have to give us a reference or two.

EXCHANGES

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS

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Documentary, 4 months' sight 1/7 3/4

On Paris—On demand 932 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight 1007 1/2

On Berlin—On demand 36 1/2
Credits, 60 days' sight 38 1/4

On Bombay—Wire 101
On demand 101

On Calcutta—Wire 101
On demand 101

On Singapore—On demand 64 1/4
On demand 73 1/2

On Shanghai—On demand 78 1/2
80 days' sight (private paper) 78 1/2

On Yokohama—On demand 73 1/4
Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per taal) 12.84
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) 12.84
Silver (per oz.) 19 1/2

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LONDON EXCHANGES

Rugby, Yesterday.

Paris 123.93
New York 4.86 5/8
Brussels 84.85
Geneva 25.075
Amsterdam 12.07
Milan 92.73
Berlin 20.355
Stockholm 18.09
Copenhagen 18.155
Oslo 18.165
Vienna 34.65
Prague 164 1/4
Helsingfors 193
Madrid 39.205

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

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STOCK	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Norm.	Fin. year	Last dividend and when paid
Banks.						
Hong Kong Bank ...	1400	...	(1400) 50	Dec.	Final 24 1/2 a/c 1929	Feb. 24, 30
Chartered Bank ...	171	...	171	Dec.	Final 17 1/2 a/c 1929	Apr. 30
Mercantile Bk. of India ...	101	...	101	Dec.	Final 20 a/c 1929	Apr. 30
Bank of Asia ...	102	...	102	Dec.	Final 20 a/c 1929	Feb. 28, 30
Insurance.						
Canton Ins. ...	880	...	880	Dec.	Final 27 for 1929	Pending
Union Ins. ...	460	...	460	Dec.	Final 16 1/2 a/c 1929	Pending
China Underwriters ...	11	...	11	Dec.	Final 20 a/c 1929	May 24, 30
China Fire Ins. ...	355	...	355	Dec.	Final 20 bonus 80 for 1929	May 24, 30
H. K. Fire Ins. ...	900	...	900	Dec.	Final 20 a/c 1929	May 24, 30
Shipping.						
Douglases ...	1	...	1	Dec.	Final dividend for 1929	Mar. 4, 30
H. K. Steamships ...	26	...	26	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 4, 30
Indo-China (Pref.) ...	13	...	13	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 4, 30
Shell Transports ...	30/4	...	30/4	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 4, 30
Union Waterboats ...	271	...	271	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 10, 30
Mining.						
Benguet ...	61	...	61	Dec.	Final 16 cents a/c 1929	Apr. 30
Kailan Mining Ad. ...	30/3	...	30/3	June	Final 15 free 1/10 a/c 1929	Dec. 17, 29
Langkat (Comb.) ...	13/60	...	13/60	Oct.	Final div. for year 31-10-29	Dec. 17, 29
Shai Exploration ...	1.80	...	1.80	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Dec. 17, 29
Loans ...	5.40	...	5.40	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Dec. 17, 29
Rauba ...	22	...	22	Mar.	Second Int. 1/2 a/c year 31-3-30	Mar. 25, 30
Tronoh Mines ...	21/1	...	21/1	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Dec. 17, 29
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.						
H. K. & W. Docks ...	160	...	(167) 50	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 13, 30
H. K. & W. Docks ...	38	...	38	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 13, 30
China Provident ...	51	...	51	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 13, 30
Hongkew ...	345	...	345	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 13, 30
N. Engineering ...	81	...	81	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 13, 30
Shanghai Docks ...	127	...	127	Apr.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 13, 30
Cotton Mill.						
Ewo Cottons ...	18 1/2	13.40	...	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Shai Cotton (old) ...	77	...	77	Apr.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Shai Cotton (new) ...	78	...	78	Oct.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Zong Sings ...	10	...	10	June	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.						
H. K. & S. Hotels ...	12.00	12.80	...	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
H. K. Lands ...	74 1/2	74	...	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Shanghai Lands ...	247 1/2	...	247 1/2	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Humphreys ...	142	144	...	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
H. K. Realities ...	91	370 3/4	...	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Chinese Estates ...	98	...	98	Feb.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Public Utilities.						
H. K. Tramways ...	20 1/2	20.40	11.05	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Peak Tram (old) ...	11.05	...	11.05	Apr.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Peak Tram (new) ...	6.05	...	6.05	Apr.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Star Ferries ...	77	...	77	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
China Light (old) ...	26 1/2	24.16	25	Sept.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
China Light (new) ...	20 1/2	19 1/2	...	Sept.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
H. K. Electric ...	73 1/2	73 1/2	...	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Macao ...	23	...	23	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Sandakan Lights ...	91	...	91	June	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
H. K. Telephone ...	12 1/2	...	12 1/2	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
China Buses ...	10	...	10	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
S'pore Tractions (Ord.) ...	10 1/2	...	10 1/2	Sept.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
S'pore Tractions (Pref.) ...	10 1/2	...	10 1/2	Sept.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Industrials.						
China Sugars ...	80 c.	...	80 c.	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Malayan Sugars ...	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Cald. Macg. Ord. ...	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Cald. Macg. Pref. ...	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Canton Ice ...	...	...	...	July	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Cements (comb.) ...	16.30	16.80	...	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Cements (old) ...	11	...	11	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Cements (new) ...	4 1/2	...	4 1/2	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
H. K. Ropes ...	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
United Asbestos ...	5	...	5	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Stores, &c.						
Dairy Farms ...	23.45	23.70	...	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Watsons ...	...	...	...	Oct.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
De A. Wings ...	80 c.	...	80 c.	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Lane Crawfords ...	8.30	...	8.30	Feb.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Macintoshes ...	10	...	10	Feb.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Sincere ...	...	...	...	Feb.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Wm. Powells ...	...	...	...	Feb.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Miscellaneous.						
H. K. Amusement ...	29	...	29	Mar.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
H. K. Construction ...	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
B. Ind. G. Bonds ...	68 1/2	...	68 1/2	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
H. K. Govt. Loans ...	6 1/2	...	6 1/2	Dec.	Final 10 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Shanghai.						
Hong Kong ...	1/10 3/4	...	1/10 3/4
Yokohama ...	1/6 1/16	...	1/6 1/16
Silver Spot ...	2/0 3/4	...	2/0 3/4
Silver Forward ...	19 7/16	...	19 7/16
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VICTORIA VOTES WET Prohibition Poll Which Binds Whole State.

Melbourne, March 30.
Victoria is at present in the throes of a State poll on the question of Prohibition.
The figures hitherto indicate that the "wets" will win.
For the first time in history the result of the poll will bind the whole State, not individual parts.
The poll taken in 1920 provided for local option and resulted in two districts going dry.
This year, an intensive campaign was conducted by the "wets" and "drys".
It is estimated that the former have spent £140,000 and the "drys" £40,000, while the poll will cost the Government £25,000.
Later, the final figures of the Victorian Prohibition poll are:

"Wets" 502,775
"Drys" 384,328
The 60 per cent. majority required to abolish licences was not obtained in any voting district.

**THINGS WHICH ARE NOT
WHAT THEY SEEM.**
Kid gloves are made of lamb skin.
Turkish baths are unknown in Turkey.
Irish stew does not exist in Ireland.
Catgut for violin strings is really sheepgut.
Egyptian cigarettes are largely made from Turkish tobacco.
Brussels carpets do not come from Brussels.
There is no wax in ceiling wax.
But what's the difference?

A Y.M.C.A. Secretary Gives Thank To Baby's Own Tablets.

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MALAY AMOK. Finally Shot Down by Constable.

Ipo, April 24.
A case of a villager running amok is reported from Kota Bharu. A Malay villager at about 3 p.m. seized a golok and attacked his wife with fatal results. He next endeavored to cut his children but was prevented by his sister-in-law, who was cut severely.
The cries of the victims brought neighbours to the scene and attempts were made to disarm the maniac in the course of which a Malay was fatally injured.
A message was despatched to Batu Gajah which brought Mr. C. T. W. Dobree, O.C.P.D., to the scene, accompanied by constables. The assailant was called upon to surrender but refused and came out of the building in a menacing manner and attempted to attack Mr. Dobree, whereupon the constables opened fire, severely wounding the Malay in the leg. Having been disarmed, he was taken to hospital where he died on admission. No cause has been ascertained why he ran amok.

KNIGHTS OF MALTA. Again Represented at the Papal Court.

Rome, March 19.
As a result of the Conciliation between the Italian Government and the Vatican, which gives the Pope the status of an independent sovereign, the Knights of Malta are once more to have a diplomatic representative at the Papal Court. The new Minister Plenipotentiary, Don Luigi Pignatelli della Leonessa, Prince of Montedurini, was received a few days ago by Pius XI, who expressed his satisfaction at this revival of a very ancient usage and had words of praise for the good work still carried on by the Order among the sick and needy.
This oldest and most important of the knightly orders of Christendom was founded in Palestine in the eleventh century, under the title of Knights Hospitallers of St. John of Jerusalem. It was endowed by the Papacy with most extensive privileges, and made absolutely independent of all authority save that of Rome. When forced to leave the Holy Land in 1309, the Knights took refuge first at Cyprus and then at Rhodes, where they established themselves in great power for over two hundred years. In 1522 Soliman the Magnificent, Sultan of Turkey, sent a fleet against Rhodes, and succeeded in capturing the citadel after a long siege, in which the Knights defended themselves with extraordinary valour. The Emperor Charles V. then assigned the island of Malta to the homeless Order, and here it held sway until 1798, when Malta was taken by the French, and the Knights were again turned adrift. They still maintained their right to be represented diplomatically at the Papal Court, the action of the French being considered by them not as "occupation" but "usurpation," and one of the Articles of the Treaty of Amiens in 1802 provided for the return of Malta to the Order which had ruled there so long.
The last Minister of the Knights to the Holy See was the Earl Antonio Bussell, who died in 1882. The headquarters of the Order was afterwards established in Rome, but the title of Grand Master was abolished and replaced by that of Lieutenant. Pope Leo XIII. revived the Grand Mastership in 1879. The present—and seventy-fifth—holder of the dignity is Prince Galeazzo Thud-Hohenstein.
Mr. Grover Whalen, New York police commissioner, recalls that when the Prince of Wales was in the City he spent half an hour at the top of the Woolworth Building in a reverie.

SERVANT GIRLS. Complaint of Unfeeling Employers. DOMESTIC HOURS.

Some plain speaking about the conditions of their employment was heard at a conference of young working girls organised by the National Council of Girls' Clubs at its opening at St. Hugh's College, Oxford.
Employers who were in the habit of dismissing girls when they reached the age of 16 and had to be insured were severely censured, as were also those employers who victimised girls for bringing complaints to the notice of factory inspectors. About 160 girls, the majority between the ages of 17 and 25, representing about 4,000 affiliated working girls' clubs, attended the conference.
Miss R. Godfrey, of Shorelitch, speaking of the rights of domestic servants, said: "There do not seem to be any laws stating the number of hours the domestic servant should work. It is largely due to the shortage of maids, that conditions of domestic service are better than formerly, but if all girls now looking for jobs were to make a dash for domestic service, then half the privileges now granted would go to the winds."
Miss Godfrey suggested that there should be a law enforcing that Sunday should be a sacred day for the domestic servant just as it was for all other workers. In addition to Sunday, domestic servants should be given half a day a week off and every evening. "When we get these conditions of service I would take a floor-mopping job myself, but not before," she added.
Miss Dorothy Elliott, of the National Union of General and Municipal Workers, said that it was true that there was practically nothing that could regulate domestic service at the present time, but there was no reason why it should not be regulated by law as other industries were.
"The tragedy in industry to-day," she said, "is that youth to the employers means girls of 14 to 16 years, and you are beginning to be too old even at 16. At 35 you are undoubtedly too old, and if you are thrown out of work at this age, and you have no exceptional or special experience, you are going to find it extraordinarily difficult to get back into any occupation. This raises the question of training for alternative occupation and that is where domestic service comes in. Therefore we should push forward all the new labour-saving devices in the home and get domestic service properly organised."

The Modern Girl Defended.
At the session the modern girl was defended. Miss Josephine Duckworth, secretary of the Liverpool Union of Girls' Clubs, said: "I am tired of hearing these endless criticisms of the modern girl. The girl of to-day as seen in our clubs has a sense of responsibility of which any section of the community could be proud. When you get to know her as we know her at the clubs you see that she has a very much greater sense of responsibility and a desire for service than her Victorian predecessor."
"What is merely a happy and jolly outlook on life is too often interpreted by those eager to criticise the modern girl as frivolity. She takes as sane and healthy interest in politics, but she is not much time for partisanship. Our clubs serve by teaching members how to share the best things in life. They prepare our girls for citizenship. They teach the community better ideals for leisure, an appreciation of beautiful music as distinct from imported jazz stuff, an appreciation of good drama as distinct from certain products of Hollywood, and an appreciation of good literature as opposed to the penny novelette. This type of girl readily responds to the call for Sunday school teachers and to any opportunity for social service put before her."

Making up for the Day's Monotony.
Miss A. Quint, of Manchester, said the activities of the club of the future must include more travel, more culture, higher types of art and craft work, more sports, and a higher and better understanding of life in general. "The housing problem is not likely to be solved for some time, and the standard of living is going up. Therefore the clubs must breach the gap by providing social outlet and scope. Dances and dramatic art are known as unfailing sources of attraction to our girls."
"The girl of to-day has to do all her living in her leisure time because her work is so exacting. Therefore she seeks one crowded hour of glorious life to make up for the age-long day at the factory or shop. Clubs are beginning to realise that this is the reason why so many girls seek excitement in the form of pictures, dances, and the streets, etc., and they must cater for it increasingly."

Lady Eleanor Keane, chairman of the National Council, said they must not be content in their club movement till they found out what it was that girls of to-day wanted, and had given it to them. Lady Eleanor mentioned that an appeal for £100,000 was going to be launched, and that at a mass meeting at the Albert Hall, next June—the Duchess of York, their president, would receive purses.
Fox hunting and similar forms of sport were condemned at the final session of the conference. Miss Dorothy Elliott, of Bristol, said, "The young women of Britain did a great deal towards putting this Government into office, and Mr. MacDonald has acknowledged that they did. Let us therefore, tell the Government that we hold all forms of animal sport in abhorrence, and if it is necessary to do away with wild animals, it should be done in as humane a manner as possible."
A pastoral letter denouncing the persecutions of religion in Russia has been read in all the Roman Catholic churches in the Archdiocese of Freiburg.

ENEMIES OF MAN. Empire Battle Against Flies.

In an old minor house in a pleasant little village at the foot of the Chiltern Hills scientists have converted what were once drawing, dining or bed rooms into nurseries, in which they are rearing millions of offspring of various insects which are among the greatest unconquered enemies of man.
Bearing in mind that "Big flies have little fleas upon their backs to bite 'em—Little fleas have lesser and so ad infinitum," they have attacked the problem from this standpoint.
Just now, things are somewhat dull at this "parasite zoo," and a peep into any one of the tiny nurseries reveals no blood-thirsty cannibal doings of insect-eating insect. To the casual observer there is nothing to be seen, but there are millions of eggs concealed on twigs, bits of cardboard or leaves, just waiting for the breath of spring to give them life.
Alysia, in her perfect and final form, is a slender little wasp-like insect, living daintily upon a nature-cure diet of honey water and raisins, but her progeny have no such leanings and must have live meat for their sustenance.

The Lady Alysia.
The Lady Alysia, therefore, elects the maggot of the blow fly, a creature considerably larger than herself, for the future home of her children. She finds it no easy task to administer her anaesthetic by means of her lance-like ovipositor to the wriggling future nursery, but having finally reduced it to inaction she deposits her egg in its body, which, on recovering its power of movement, resumes its normal life until such time as the egg hatches out and begins to feed, gradually eating up what would otherwise have developed into a blow fly.
This little dragon-slaying St. George repeats this operation some 200 times, after which, worn out with well-doing, she sheathes her lance and quietly dies.

In the egg form, in the bodies of her host, little Alysia has been shipped to Australia and Canada to wage combat with the blow fly, responsible for millions of pounds worth of damage to sheep every year. Unfortunately, she, in turn, is attacked in her larval stage by a parasite whose operations are precisely similar to her own.
The Rainsin Ration.
Many kinds of these insects are being reared in the nurseries. "Blastothrix" is another wasp-like lady, two or three thousand of whom were sent out last year in sealed test tubes, each being provided with a raisin for the journey. They have proved a great success in British Columbia, where they attack the Lecanium scale, which does enormous damage to trees.
Last year at Cheshunt Experimental Station a parasite was discovered of the greenhouse white-fly, which causes great damage among tomato and other glass house crops. Stocks were reared and sent to the "parasite zoo," which could not rear them fast enough for the demand which came from all over England.
Dr. W. R. Thompson, a Canadian scientist, is in charge of the work, which is run by the Imperial Bureau of Entomology, but financed by the Empire Marketing Board.—Morning Post.

STANDARD TIMES Sunrise and Sunset In Colony

Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong for May (Standard time of the 120th Meridian, East of Greenwich) are as follows:—

	Sunrise	Sunset
	a.m.	p.m.
May 1	5.51	6.50
2	5.50	6.51
3	5.50	6.51
4	5.49	6.52
5	5.48	6.52
6	5.48	6.52
7	5.47	6.53
8	5.47	6.53
9	5.46	6.54
10	5.46	6.54
11	5.45	6.54
12	5.44	6.55
13	5.44	6.55
14	5.43	6.55
15	5.43	6.55
16	5.42	6.56
17	5.42	6.56
18	5.41	6.57
19	5.41	6.57
20	5.41	6.58
21	5.41	6.59
22	5.41	6.59
23	5.41	7.00
24	5.40	7.00
25	5.40	7.01
26	5.40	7.01
27	5.39	7.02
28	5.39	7.02
29	5.39	7.03
30	5.39	7.03
31	5.39	7.03

Ben Doran, the Aberdeen trawler, which was lying wrecked on a reef in the Shetland Islands, is reported to have broken up. It is feared that the crew of seven have been drowned.

FEWER BABIES. Doctors and Lowest Birth Rate. MODERN LIFE EFFECT.

Leading authorities, says the Daily Mail, expressed their alarm at the menace to the future of the country revealed by the quarterly return of the Registrar-General, Mr. S. P. Vivian, issued recently, which shows that in the last quarter of 1929 the birth rate in England and Wales was the lowest on record.
During the whole year only 644,218 babies were born (compared with 660,267 in the previous year), while there were 532,525 deaths, the increase in the population therefore being 111,693, instead of the average of about 223,000.
There has been a progressive decline in the birth rate since 1920, when 957,782 babies were born.
A variety of reasons for these figures were given to a Daily Mail reporter.
Woman Doctor's View.
Dame Mary Scharlieb, the gynaecologist, was emphatic in condemning present-day tendencies. She said: "The main cause is the uncertainty of economic conditions in the country, but people are much more selfish than they used to be and much more given to pleasure."
"The artificial excitement of the life women lead and the practice of artificial control put their nervous systems out of order. They put off having babies, and then when they want them they cannot have them. They become nervously unfit for child-bearing."
"It was in France where the birth rate first began to fall. Germany followed, and has now passed France. We are going the same way. The British Empire is like a man with a magnificent estate and with no one to work it. And yet even in the Dominions and Colonies, where they want men, they practise artificial control."
"We are not doing right by the Empire—we are not doing morally right, and, as a doctor, I say that we are not acting right medically."
Reaction to City Life.
Professor Leonard Hill, director of the Department of Applied Physiology, National Institute of Medical research, sees a grave menace in the decline of the birth rate among European nations while rates of Eastern countries are increasing. He said: "The falling birth rate might be the beginning of the end of the British Empire."
"It is a natural reaction in this country to the crowded cities. There are economic difficulties and men find it difficult to emigrate. The city life that we are leading here reduces fertility."
Sir Bruce Bruce-Porter, the eminent physician, declared that the Registrar-General's return does not reveal the greatest menace. He said: "It is the birth rate of the fit children that is falling, not that of the unfit."
"While unfit children continue to be born in large numbers the fit have to keep them, so that they cannot afford to have children of their own. Apart from the unfit there are thousands of border-line cases. These are not differentiated in the official returns of births."
"These returns of the falling birth rate are the greatest argument in favour of voluntary sterilisation."
There is one bright spot in the Registrar-General's returns. There were 312,982 marriages last year, the greatest number since 1921.

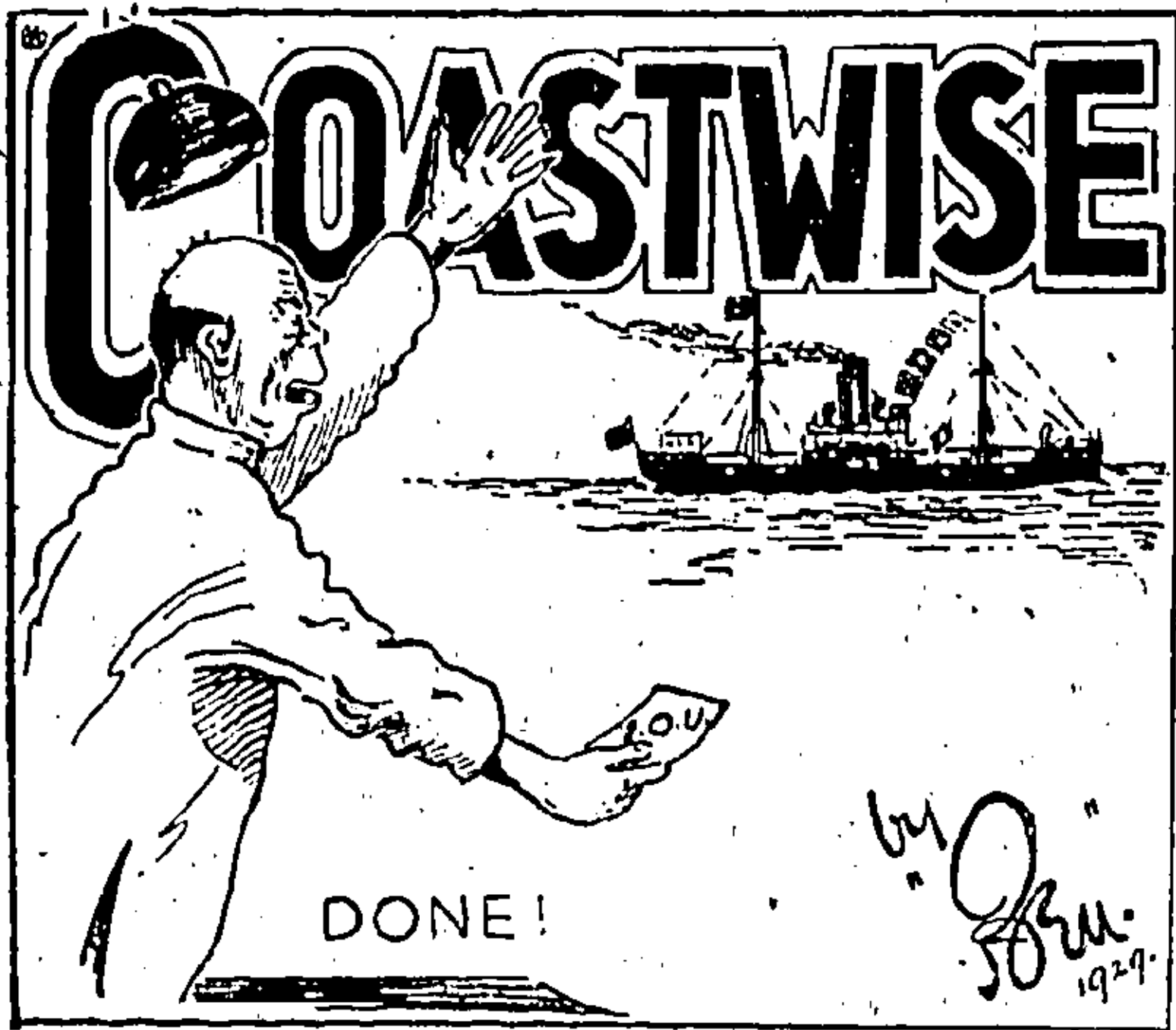
Mr. Henry Harrison, who has been a porter at Buckingham Palace for forty-five years, will retire on May 6, aged 70. He has been presented with autographed portraits of the King and Queen.
Fire broke out at the L.C.C. Mental Hospital, Tooting Bec, and ninety bed-ridden patients were carried to safety by members of the staff.

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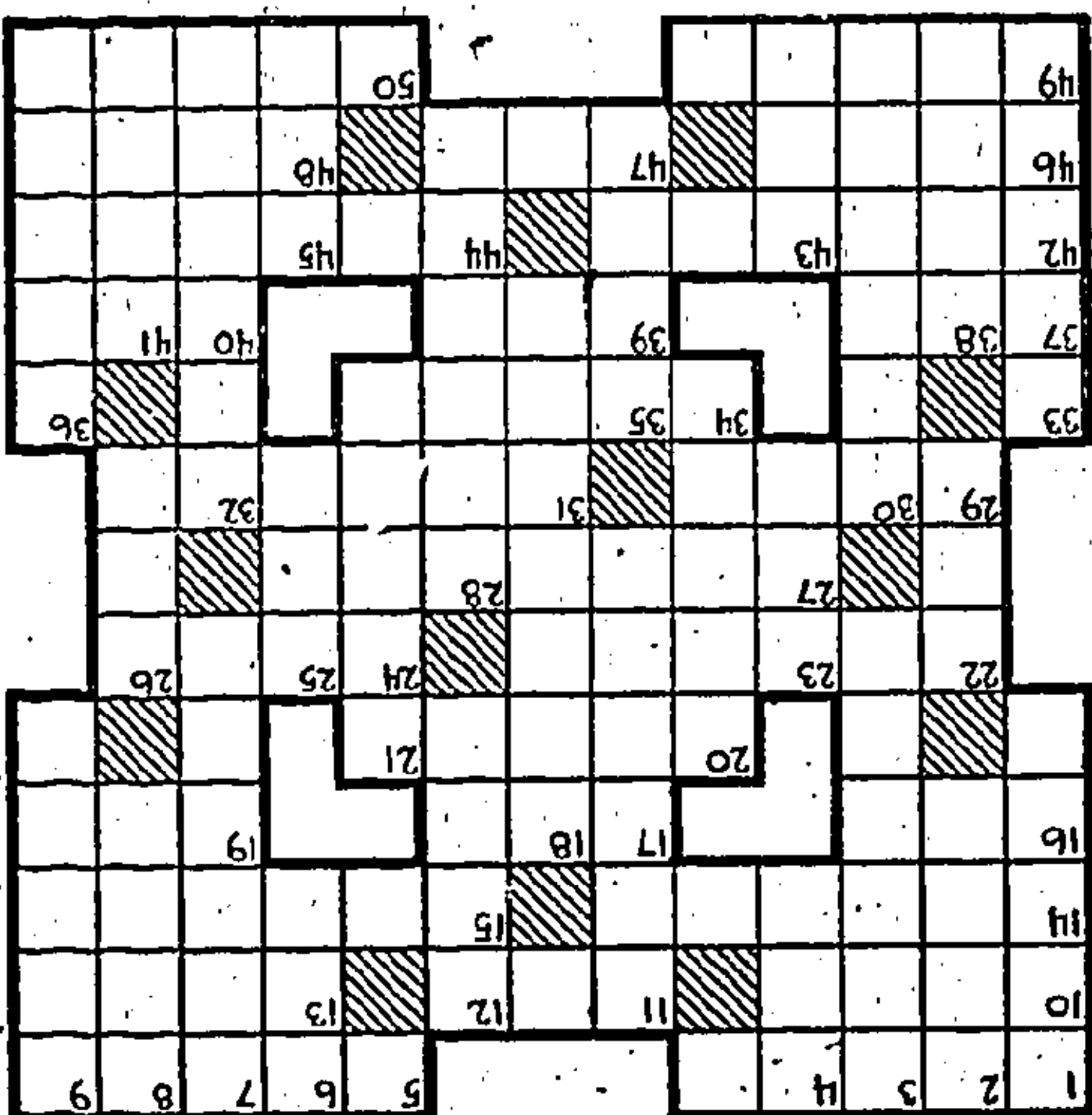
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1-To mold
- 6-To slip by
- 10-Lacking color
- 11-Young dog
- 13-Legal claim on property
- 14-Lake near Naples, Italy
- 15-An emigrant (Fr.)
- 16-Corded fabric
- 17-An American Indian
- 18-A perfect work of art
- 20-To bring to a standstill
- 22-To force
- 24-German for a or an
- 27-Steps
- 29-A language of India
- 31-To provoke
- 34-Portals
- 37-A tool for making holes

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 39-A doctrine or system
- 40-Even if
- 42-Erected
- 44-Raked the spirits of
- 46-An American Indian
- 47-To terminate
- 48-Rabbit
- 49-A fortified seaport in N. W. Prussia
- 50-To jarass

VERTICAL

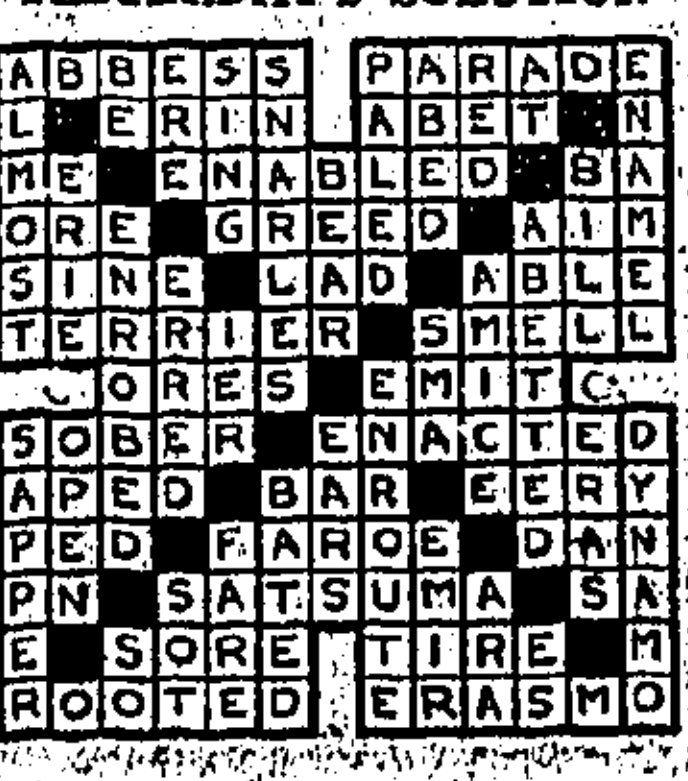
- 1-Lean
- 2-To possess
- 3-A commercial city of N. Syria
- 4-Through
- 5-A Mohammedan proper name
- 7-Long-handled dipper
- 8-Withered
- 9-Foe

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 11-A kind of pigeon
- 12-To strip off the rind of
- 18-Abilities
- 20-A sprout of a tree or plant
- 21-Latvians
- 22-A head covering
- 25-Professed
- 26-An ending of nouns of agency
- 28-Before
- 29-United
- 32-Treat
- 33-Short comedy with exaggerated effects
- 35-An assistant
- 36-Alcoholic liquor
- 38-Moderately hot
- 41-German for Mr.
- 43-To comprehend
- 45-Interjection of triumph

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



RUSSIA AND CHINA.

Harbin, Yesterday. Mo Teh-hui, who is China's chief delegate to the long-deferred Sino-Soviet C.E.R. conference, left Harbin for Moscow this morning, accompanied by a suite numbering twenty. — Reuter.

For the first time sound and television were broadcast together from the twin London transmitters of the B.B.C. Similar broadcasts are to be given regularly.



WHIRLIGIG.

(By Dorothy Herzog.)

The enclosed letter arrived this morn. He, she or it who can read it and not grope for a chair gets a year's subscription gratis to the largest mailing house's catalogue. Breathe deeply and race:

Dear Dorothy: That Hammerstein family will never be straightened out in the minds of—well, of anybody that's interested. Further complication has arisen with Oscar's new wife (married four months). She is a Dorothy, and you know that Arthur's wife is Dorothy Dalton. Incidentally, Mrs. Oscar is always being taken for Joan Crawford. She used to be Dorothy Blanchard, Australian beauty of stage and screen in Britain. Now content to be just Missus Oscar.

The Hammerstein line-up is something like this: Oscar Hammerstein, I (deceased), built three opera houses in New York.

Arthur Hammerstein, his son stage producer, now in the talkies, William Hammerstein, another son (deceased), former vodvil magnate and father of Oscar, II.

Elaine Hammerstein, daughter of Arthur, former screen star. Oscar Hammerstein, II, librettist and lyric writer, son of William, now writing musical plays for Warners.

Reginald Hammerstein brother of Oscar, now associated with Uncle Arthur at United Artists.

Dorothy Dalton Hammerstein, wife of Arthur. (Also content.) Dorothy Blanchard Hammerstein, wife of Oscar 2d. The Oscar 2d. have begat the new little Hammersteins. Now, you know, there's no sense to people begat-ing themselves into crossword puzzles.

Apropos of Robert Milton, years ago he and Doug Fairbanks were room-mates. This was before Doug or Bob reached stellar heights. In those days, they dreamed happy dreams of success and lived frugally on a small sum a week. Then they went their separate ways, each vowing they'd never look up the other until their names were in electric lights. They kept the vow.

Came an afternoon when Bob was swinging along the White Way. A yell, and Doug bounded toward him.

"I told you it would happen, Bob. I told you."

And he piloted Milton to a theatre near by. Fairbanks' name stood out in lights.

"You come with me," chuckled Bob, "and I'll show you something."

Doug did. Another theatre. Electric lights—Robert Milton. Excelsior. Likewise, happy days.

DOUGLAS JUNIOR.

It happened in a theatre lobby. Between acts. Doug Fairbanks, Jun., pulled a cigarette lighter from his pocket. Before he could light it and his cigarette, a young chap dashed up to him with.

"I bet you \$5 it won't light!"

The man was a stranger to him but Doug took his bet. And won. The loser handed him the five dollars, which Doug didn't want to take.

"Why" curiously, "did you think my lighter wouldn't work?"

"None do, as a rule."

Doug still refused to take the five.

"Go ahead. Take it. I make my living at this sort of thing."

"How's that?"

"I bet anybody I see with a lighter that it won't work. Five dollars is my smallest bet. I win on an average of 85 bets out of a hundred. I can afford to lose the other fifteen!"

Whereupon Doug pocketed the five dollar bill.

OUT OF HOSPITAL.

George Bancroft has come out of the hospital. A little 11-year old chap, named Billy Butts, was the unintentional cause of Bancroft's hospital sojourn.

George had a scene in Paramount's revue that "pointed up" his much exploited he-man toughness. The idea was this. Billy Butts swagged out before the camera and engaged George in conversation. He gave him a shin kick. George merely smiled. Whereupon Billy, still talking swung back a small fist and let go a telegraphic smash to George's face. The blow missed proper timing and instead of whiffing harmlessly past the star's nose landed smack on his eye. A nerve must have been hit, for George slumped to the floor—cold. He was taken to the hospital and remained there for four days. He remained until the puffed eye returned to normalcy.

"NOTHING TO SAY."

The other day a paper man ran a yarn wherein Maxine Glass, attractive 21-year-old University of Southern California co-ed, admitted that the diamond ring adorning the fourth finger of her left hand was a Christmas present from Richard Dix. But she would not say whether it was an engagement or just a ring. Richard dodged telephone calls the day after this story appeared. "Richard has been sleuthed to illuminate engagement rumours are" this. When cornered he just looks a little surprised and confesses: "I have nothing to say."

Richard is preparing to begin work on his next talkie, "I Love You," from a play by William Lebaron. Curiously enough, years ago Dix was in the Broadway run of this play. He went into pictures when it closed and a year or two later signed a Famous Players' contract. He reckoned as how he would continue the parts he had portrayed in "The Christian," "The Ten Commandments," etc., but it so chanced that at the same time he joined Famous Lebaron also joined.

Lebaron was put in charge of the Dix unit and it was he who determined that Richard should enact "typical" American roles of breezy, romance and a little plot in preference to his more sterner endeavours.

Quite appropriate, then, that after a time Dix goes to work in a screen version of "I Love You," with Lebaron piloting the flicker ship. Mel Brown will direct. No leading woman has been selected, but this bureau picked up a yarn that Barbara Kent (who herained for Harold Lloyd in "Welcome, Dancer.") will repeat for Dix.

THREE AMBITIONS.

Corinne Griffith cherishes three ambitions, to wit:

1. A chateau in France.
2. To play Empress Josephine in an all-colour picture.
3. To win one game of tennis from her husband, Walter Morosco.

FORGOTTEN FACES.

Stars Who Have Passed Away.

(By Iris Barry.)

Ageing folk have always said that one of the bitterest griefs which come with ripper years is the loss of friends.

To those of us who have been filmgoers since childhood that grief comes sooner. With the passing of Mabel Normand we suddenly look back and see already how long a list of it is of friends we have lost.

There was something of the essential spirit of films in Mabel Normand. She came to fame at the time when the cinema, from its earliest peepshow days, had suddenly thrust its overwhelming growth on the notice of the world at large. Eminent people like Sarah Bernhardt and Herbert Tree had lent themselves to an entertainment at first wholly undistinguished. The discovery had been made that people would go to see a film lasting an hour, which not so long before had been thought impossible.

Those of us who are now very adult had dragged here a parent, there an aunt, to join with us in our childish yelps and squeals of joy at the antics of quaint figures that spottily passed across the small screens of those days.

Grudgingly it was being conceded that in films, as in pantomimes and the circus, there was something that could please sensible grown-ups as well as the youngsters. These were the days! There is already little use to speak of John Bunny, a name only to millions of filmgoers, or even of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Drew. Such of their pictures as can occasionally be rescued from film junk stores do not seem funny; their names will be forgotten soon; the laughter they evoked has died away for ever.

Francesca Bertini—how she could roll her eyes, what magnificent patterns they used to have on wallpaper in screen homes then—and Florence Lawrence, even the more recent Eddy Polo, Pearl White, and Sessue Hayakawa are almost unknown to the new generation.

But from the Mack Sennett studios (which someday may be remembered even as the comedical art is) there sprang a series

of comedies which is still memorable. "The Fatal Mallet," one of them, was revived recently, and revealed a saucy girl in a long towered voile gown, ardently wooed by a nimble little man with a bowler and a moustache.

Several other gentlemen, badly made up and with more or less whisker, all very agreeably hid in turns behind a barn door and hit each other somewhat violently on the head.

The two outstanding figures were "Mabel" and "Charlie," or Mr. Chaplin and Miss Normand. They were both earning handsome salaries for those days, both had an inventive turn for pure film humour, both were irrespressible, temperamental, with something of the surprisingness and pathos of all real clowns. Children the world over adored them, and wise men saw here the real comic genius at work in a new medium.

Many of the favourites of succeeding years have faded almost out of mind. Several of the most brilliant, most adored, have died in tragic circumstances.

There was Wallace Reid, most deeply mourned of leading men, who fought a losing battle with the drug habit.

Max Linder, who in 1907 was the film's most famous artist, committed suicide. Their death was felt as a personal bereavement by the older generation of picture-goers, as Valentino's was to an even wider circle. The list of bereavements is a long one—Gladys Brockwell, Fred Thomson, Einer Hanson, Barbara La Marr, George Fawcett.

And the list of darkened stars is even longer.

We never see Edna Purviance nowadays, or Marguerite Clarke, and only rarely Maurice Costello, and so fickle is the cinema public that I do not think most people even remember them.

It was supposed that the films would bring a kind of immortality, yet in fact nothing seems farther from the case. Already only bits remain of even the great Chaplin's early pictures. Fashions in film-making change so rapidly that what seemed perfection in sentiment or humour ten years ago seems crude and savourless to-day.

The film moves on, the world favourites are forgotten. And already those of us who are thirty can sit disconsolate talking over the old days and know that really young people of twenty or less will recognise our dotage and smile superior smiles at the senile babblings of old fools about meaningless names and forgotten faces.

But that they should forget Mabel seems monstrous; she came as Mary Pickford did from the old Biograph studios, and sprang with Chaplin into fame. They made film history, those three; they invented, combined, experimented. They made films what they are to-day—a perpetual delight, solace, experience, and distraction, with now and then a flash of genius. And Mabel Normand had more than her share of that.—Daily Mail.

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MODERN FASHIONS.

Blamed for Cotton Trade Depression.

WORST NOW OVER.

London, Yesterday. Modern fashions were largely blamed for the loss of the English cotton trade in recent years, at a luncheon in London heralding the National cotton week, beginning on May 5, designed to stimulate the use of cotton in Great Britain. Members of the Cabinet party leaders and prominent commercial men were among those present. Mr. Holroyd, the chairman, mentioned that the sales of cotton in Britain were yards fewer than before the war, but he believed that Lancashire had now seen the worst.—Reuter.

VERANDAH JUMP.

Alleged Thief's Long Stay in Hospital.

Yesterday the China Mail reported a case in which a Chinese was taken to the Government Civil Hospital with a fractured thigh received when he jumped from the first floor verandah of a house in Main Street, Apichau, in order to escape arrest for theft of a suit of clothing.

This morning the case was mentioned before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, when Sub-Inspector Baker, in charge at Aberdeen, produced a medical certificate showing that the accused would probably have to remain in hospital for two months.

The Magistrate accordingly gave a week's formal remand, and directed the Inspector to produce a medical certificate to him once a month until such time as the accused was able to leave hospital. In the meantime he would be remanded in absentia from week to week.

NO LICENCE.

Driver Has His Bail Forfeited.

When a case was called before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, this morning, in which a Chinese was charged with driving a private motor car belonging to Mr. Wu Chi-hau, without a driver's licence, the defendant failed to appear.

Divisional Inspector Bloor, in charge of West Point, stated that the defendant was given bail of \$50 yesterday, and added that he understood that the motor car was being taken to Canton.

A European Sergeant, who arrested the defendant, said that he had made inquiries at the Traffic Office and found that the defendant formerly had a driver's licence, but it was cancelled three months ago.

His Worship ordered the bail of \$50 to be estreated.

IMPUDENCE OF AN ARCHBISHOP.

THREAT TO PEOPLE WHO VOTE FOR BRITISH PEER.

MALTESE MUDDLE.

Malta, Yesterday. Constitutional relations between the Government and the Church were strained last year when the Premier, Lord Strickland, himself a Roman Catholic, refused to allow a Franciscan priest, who was British, to be transferred against his will to Sicily by order of the Superior of the community in Malta. The Government claimed that the transfer was ordered on political grounds. An Irishman, Monsignor Robinson, was appointed apostolic delegate to enquire into the difficulties last April, but no solution was reached.

It is significant that the Archbishop's order follows a visit to Rome, whither the Archbishop of Malta flew in a British seaplane in April. The Parliamentary elections are being held at the end of May.—Reuter.

Earlier Cable

Malta, Yesterday. An amazing situation has been created by the attitude of the Roman Catholic Church towards the general election campaign here. The Archbishop and parish priest have announced that by order of the Archbishop to all the churches in Malta, whoever votes for the Prime Minister, Lord Strickland, or any of his supporters (members of Constitutional party) commits a mortal sin.

The Bishop of Gozo recently similarly issued an edict forbidding Constitutionalists to approach Easter communion or receive absolution, forbidding citizens to attend Constitutional meetings, or race meetings organised on the occasion of the opening of the Constitutional Club.

The members of the Constitu-

CINEMA FIRE.

Manager Gives Evidence on Own Behalf.

GATE NOT LOCKED?

London, Yesterday. Mr. Charles Dorward, giving evidence at the Edinburgh trial, said that he unlocked the gate before the matinee. Witnesses had previously testified that the children were pressing against the locked gate, which was eventually wrenched out by men outside.—Reuter.

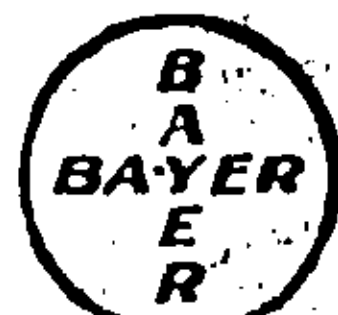
[A long queue, mostly of women, waited in the rain for hours for the opening of the trial of Mr. Charles Dorward, Manager of the Glen Cinema, Paisley, charged at Edinburgh with culpable homicide in connection with the cinema disaster on December 31.

Lord Alness, (the Lord Justice Clerk) declared that the essence of the indictment was that it was Dorward's duty to keep the exits open, particularly as there were only two, and he had failed, as the iron trellis gate outside one exit was padlocked at the time of the disaster. "If the gate had not been locked the deaths of these children might have been avoided."]—Reuter.

tional party now demand the suspension of the elections.

There is great unrest at Gozo, where the police have been reinforced.

It is understood that the Government is making representations to the Pope.—Reuter.



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